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Officers and Preachers of the Association.

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WM. M. LEE, Clerk and Treasurer,------Summit, N. C.

ORDAINED MINISTERS.

Church, W. N.,----------Miller, I. C.
Church, John Wm.----------Tucker, Calvin
Gragg, E. M.----------Wilson Levi
Greene, Edmond----------Woodruff, G. C.
Lee, Wm. M.

LICENTIATES.

Greene, James----------Lee, D. S.
Greene, W. L.----------Layel, D. L. H.
Greene, W. S.----------Miller, M. D.

MINUTES

Boones Fork Church, Watauga County, N. C.,
September 29th, 1903.

The Stony Fork Baptist Association met with the Boones Fork church in its 42nd annual session on Tuesday, September 29th. 1903.

After singing by the congregation Elder C. S. Farthing led in prayer and Elder I. C. Miller preached the Introductory Sermon from Mark the 16:15, 16. Wm. M. Lee offered some exhortational remarks, and prayer was led by J. M. Payne.

After an intermission of 30 minutes the delegates reassembled in the church house. C. S. Farthing read 63rd Psalm, and prayer was led by D. L. H. Layel.

Letters were handed in from the churches represented.

Brethren D. S. Lee and C S. Farthing read the letters and the names of delegates were enrolled as follows:

Boones Fork—J. F. Gragg, J. F. Church, W. L. Coffey.

Buffalo Cone—I. C. Miller, R. H. Pipes.

Blowing Rock—Not represented.

Doe Bridge—T. M. Greene was recognized as delegate.

Elk—Not represented.

Laurel Fork—T. F. Greer, A J. Shull.

Mt. Vernon—Thos. L. Day.

Mt. Paran—Not represented.

Mt. Ephraim—N. S. Hampton, D. M. Wheeler.

Middle Cane—W. W. Hodges.

New Hopewell—Cana Gragg.

New River—Not represented by delegates.

Poplar Grove—D. L. H. Loyel, Z. T. Greene.

Stony Fork—R. L. Wagner.

Watauga—E. M. Gragg, Charley L. Coffey, G. W. Shook.

Yellow Hill—Wm. M. Lee.

E. M. Gragg was elected Moderator and Wm. M. Lee, Clerk. John Norris and J. M. Payne served as Tellers.

An invitation was extended to churches wishing to unite with the Association. Middle Cane came forward applying for admission by letter, which was received and its delegates invited to seats.

An invitation was extended to correspondents and visitors J. M. Payne, C. S. Farthing, John Norris and G. W. Robbins from Three Forks; James B. Reid and J. A. Greene from Mitchell county; T. C Robbins from Caldwell county, and V. M. Carter from South Yadkin Associations accepted seats.

The Moderator was empowered to appoint all necessary committees during the session, and he announced the following:

On Devotional Exercises—Pastor and Delegates of Boones Fork church.

On Order of Business—I. C. Miller, D. S. Lee, C. S. Farthing, with Moderator, Clerk, Correspondents and visitors.

Resolutions—R. H. Pipes and T. C. Robbins.

Orphanage—J. M. Payne, A. J. Shull and D. L. H. Layel.

Sunday Schools—R. L. Wagner, Thos. L. Day and John Norris.

Education—D. S. Lee, G. W. Robbins and G. W. Shook.

Temperance—R. H. Pipes, C. S. Farthing and James B. Reid.

Missions—I. C. Miller, Charley Coffey and V. M. Carter.

Periodicals—T. C. Robbins, I. C. Miller and Thomas Greer.

Correspondence—J. F. Church, N. S. Hampton and J. A. Greene.

Finance—A. J. Shull and J. F. Gragg.

Committee on Devotional Exercises reported J. M. Payne to preach Wednesday at 11 o'clock, A. M., and C. S. Farthing at 30 minutes after 1 o'clock P. M.

On motion adjourned to meet Wednesday at 9 o'clock A. M. and spend 30 minutes in prayer services.

Prayer by Wm. M. Lee, benediction by J. M. Payne.

SECOND DAY—Morning Session.

September 30th, 1903.

Wednesday 9 o'clock A. M. the Association met according to appointment and engaged in prayer service, conducted by D. S. Lee leading the singing and reading, and commenting on the 1st Psalm. Prayers were led by John Norris and J. B Reid.

The Moderator then called the Association to order, and C. S. Farthing led in prayer. Called the roll and marked absentees.

On motion T. M. Greene was recognized as delegate from Doe Ridge church.

Read minutes of yesterday which were adopted.

Committee on Order of Business adopted the order of Business of last year.

Extended invitations to correspondents and visitors. John Crisp, D. D. Dougherty and D. B. Dougherty from Three Forks, D. S. Lee from Stony Fork, and Y. D. Moore from Caldwell county Association accepted seats.

Y. D. Moore was added to the Committee on Missions, D. D. Dougherty was added to the Committee on Temperance and D. B. Dougherty was added to the Committee on Education.

The Report on Orphanage was read by J. M. Payne and spoken to by J. M. Payne and others and adopted.

Report on Orphanage.

We have at Thomasvile, N. C. an Orphanage with two hundred and sixty children dependent on the Baptist of the State for their bread, clothes and education. We advise our churches to contribute regularly of their means and read "Charity and Children," a newspaper published by the Orphanage.

J. M. Payne.
D. L. H. Layel,
A. J. Shull,
Committee.

On motion adjourned to meet at 1 o'clock, P. M. During intermission Elder J. M. Payne preached from 1st Cor. 6:20. "Ye are bought with a price."

The Association was called to order at 1 o'clock P.M., and R. H. Pipes read the Report on Resolutions, which was adopted.

Report on Resolutions.

Resolved, That the thanks of this body are due and are hereby tendered to Boonas Fork church and friends in the community in entertaining us while in session.

R. H. PIPES,
T. C. ROBBINS.
Committee.

R. L. Wagner read the Report on Sunday Schools, which was spoken to by R. L. Wagner, Thos. L. Day and others, and adopted.

Report on Sunday Schools.

We are glad to know that the churches are taking so much interest in the Sunday School work. We think the Sunday School cause can be greatly advanced by the earnest work of the churches Solomon says, "Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it." We think the pastors of the churches should see that a Sabbath School is organized in every church under their care, and do all they can to encourage the schools. We think it is the duty of every Christian to "lend a helping hand" to this great cause, as we know it to be a nursery of the church. We think it to be the duty of every Christian father and mother to go to Sunday School and carry their children with them. We think the schools should use some good "helps" such as the Picture Lessons for the little folks, from the American Baptist Publication Society. We recommend that all take the Holy Bible for their guide.

R. L. WAGNER,
THOS. L. DAY,
JOHN NORRIS'
Committee.

On motion Corresponding Messenger reported, and the report was received.

Committee on Devotional Exercises reported for Thursday. 1st, John Crisp to preach at 11 o'clock A. M. 2nd, Wm. M. Lee at 1:30 o'clock P. M.

The Report on Education was read by D. S. Lee and spoken to by Profs. Y. D. Moore, W. M. Francum and D. D. Dougherty, and adopted

Report on Education.

We are glad to see a general improvement in the public

schools, as they are intended for the masses of the people. We would urge our people everywhere to become more deeply interested in them, and to try to patronize them as much as they may be able to do.

The present condition of Christianity in this mountainous country is due to an uneducated ministry, and we ought to be thankful of success. There is a disposition among a class of our *so-called* educated preachers to stigmatise our fathers in the ministry who were, and are uneducated, a habit we deplore as being unchristianized.

It has pleased God in His wisdom to impress to preach His eveslasting Gospel, men without money, and as there is so strong an effort made to educate the people as a whole, we therefore urge our churches to take in prayerful consideration such needy preachers and help them to obtain an education, thereby enabling them to successfully meet the masses.

D. S. Lee,
G. W. Robbins,
Y. D. Moore,
W. M. Francum,
Committee.

On motion adjourned to meet Thursday at 9 o'clock A. M., and spend thirty minutes in prayer service, conducted by Elder John Crisp,. Prayer by Wm. M. Lee. Benediction by John Crisp,

THIRD DAY—Morning Sesson.

October 1st, 1903,

Met according to adjournment and engaged in devotional exercises, led by Elder John Crisp, reading 103rd Psalm. Prayers were led by C. S. Farthing and D. S. Lee. The Moderator being absent, on motion Elder I. C. Miller was called to the chair as Moderator *pro tem.*

R. H. Pipes read the Report on Temperance, and after touching and impressive remarks by many of the brethren, it was adopted.

Report on Temperance.

We realize that we have in hand a subject of the greatest importance. There is no subject that more vitally concerns State, community or church than temperance. Your Committee insist that we as Christians

and churches carry out the teachings of the Bible on the temperance question. The use of intoxicants is not the only form of intemperance that is doing our people untold injury. The use of tobacco among our members is, we believe, a great mistake. When we realize that church members are spending for tobacco more than the amount they are contributing for all religious objects, we think it is time to stop and seriously consider whether or not we are using the means the Lord has intrusted us with as He would have us. It is a great surprise to us to see the indifference of the members of our churches, and especially the ministers, of laying the proper example before the rising generation, when we see the use of tobacco, and especially the use of cigarettes, is sapping the very life of our boys and young men. We earnestly insist that the members of the churches take a decided stand against the evils of intemperance in all its forms.

R. H. Pipes, C. S. Farthing,
Jas. B. Reid, D. D. Dougherty,
Committee.

The Report on missions was read by the Clerk, and spoken to by I. C. Miller, Thos. L. Day, D. L. H. Layel and R. H. Pipes, and adopted.

Report on Missions.

The command of our Saviour to His deciples was, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." We recommend that our churches hold up the hands of our Missionaries on the foreign fields by sending to them regular contributions, and remembering them at a throne of God's rich grace. We also recommend that we remember our missionaries in the home fields. We also have mission ground in our State, and in the bounds of our Association, that we should not overlook, but whatsoever our hands find to do, let us do it with our might, and in the strength of God Jehovah. Paul says, "He that soweth sparingly shall reap sparingly, but he that soweth bountifully shall reap bountifully." Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give, not grudgingly or of necessity, for God loveth a cheerful giver. I. C. Miller, V. M. Carter,
C. L. Coffey, Y. D. Moore,
Committee.

Report on Correspondents was read by J. H. Church and adopted.

Report on Correspondence.

Messengers—To Three Forks Association: I. C. Miller, Thos. L. Day. To Mitchell county: E. M. Gragg, J. F. Church. To Ashe County: Wm. M. Lee, D. S. Lee, W. N. Church, To Alleghany and Grayson counties: John Wm. Church, William Besheass, D. S. Lee To Brushy Mountain: R. L. Wagner, I. C. Miller, R. H. Pipes, J. F. Gragg. To Caldwell county: I. C. Miller, R. H. Pipes, Thomas Greer.

N. S. HAMPTON, J. F. CHURCH, J. A. GREENE,
Committee.

The Report on Finance was read by A. J. Shull and adopted.

Report on Finance.

Received from the churches for printing minutes,	$12 45
Mission,	6 28
Orphanage,	4 51
Total,	$23 24

J. H. GRAGG, A. J. SHULL,
Committee.

On motion appointed the Clerk, Treasurer, and allowed him $4.00 for his services, and requested him to have as many minutes printed as the money would pay for.

Treasurer's Report was read by A. J. Shull, and adopted.

Treasurer's Report.

Received from the Association for minute fund,		$10 71
For Orphanage,		4 82
Foreign Missions,		5 35
Total received,		$20 88
Paid for printing minutes, mailing expenses and paper,	$ 6 71	
Paid Clerk,	4 00	
Paid Orphanage,	4 82	
Paid to T. L. Blaylock,	5 35	
Total paid out,	$20 88	

A. J. SHULL, Treasurer.

Received from public collections during the Association as follows:

For Missions, (T. L. Blaylock in China,)	$ 1 60
For Orphanage,	4 05
For Elder John Crisp,	2 52
Total received,	$ 8 17

On motion the next Association was appointed to convene with the church at Mt. Ephraim on Tuesday after the second Sunday in August, 1904, at 11 o'clock A. M. E. M. Cragg to preach the Introductory Sermon.

Intermission for dinner 30 minutes.

THIRD DAY—Evening Session.

The Association was called to order, and the Report on Periodicals was read by T. C. Robbins, and after remarks, was adopted.

Report on Periodicals.

We believe that good sound Baptist literature should be kept in all our homes, and as such we would recommend the Blue Ridge Baptist, the Biblical Recorder and the North Carolina Baptist; but above all we would recommend that the Bible be read more in all our homes, for it is the best literature the world ever knew.

Respectfully submitted,

T. C. Robbins, I. C. Miller, T. F. Greer,
Committee.

On motion the Association empowered the Moderator to appoint an Associational Missionary to specially visit the Blowing Rock and Elk churches, and as many other points as he may be able to visit. The Moderator appointed Wm. M. Lee, as said missionary.

On motion the Association resolved to do more work along missionary lines, in the future, than we have done in the past, so as to show to our sister Associations, and to the world around, that we are a missionary body.

A motion to adjourn prevailed and closing talks were made by Wm. M. Lee and I. C. Miller. Singing, "How firm a foundation," and an old-fashioned hand shaking and prayer, led by J. M. Payne, and benediction by C. S. Farthing, closed the forty Second Session of the Stony Fork Association.

Wm. M. Lee.
Clerk.

E. M. Gragg,
Moderator.

STATISTICAL TABLE NO. 1.

CHURCHES.	Ordained Ministers	Licentiates.	PASTORS.	CLERKS.	POST OFFICES.	Church Days.	Received by Baptism	Rec'd by Letter.	Restored.	Dism'd by Letter	Excluded.	Deceased.	Total Membership.	Contribution for Ministers.	Contribution for Missions.	Contribution for Orphanage.	Paid Pastors.
Boones Fork			James B Reid,	W H Gragg	Globe,	2	5						51	$ 50			$ 10 00
Buffalo Cove	1		I C Miller,	R H Pipes,	Buffalo Cove,	4		1		6	2		96	1 00	$ 8 65	$ 1 25	12 80
Blowing Rock,	*																
Doe Ridge,	1		John Crisp,	T S M Greene,	Hagaman,	1			1	8			45	50			
Elk,	*																
Laurel Fork,	1		E D Crisp,	A J Shull,	Blowing Rock,	3	5	3		2			75	1 20			23 87
Mt. Vernon,			J M Payne.	Thos L Day,	Aho	1	2		1	3	2		152	1 50	4 00		30 00
Mt Ephraim,			W N Church,	N S Hampton,	Bamboo,	2	8	4	2		3	1	63	1 00			
Mt Paran,	*																
Middle Cane,			Wm M Lee,	John R Hodges,	Middle Cane,	3							24	50			
New Hopewell,			James Frankling, W M Cook,	David Coffey,	Gragg,	4		1		1			81	80			
New River,	1		A W Osborn,	R M Phillips,	McGuire,	3	1	1		1			40	60			
Poplar Grove,		1	†	Z T Greene,	Moody,	4	14	5	1	2	1		83	1 00	57	1 15	21 65
Stony Fork,		4	Wm M Lee,	W E Greene	Stony Fork,	2	14	1	2	1		1	188	1 50	15 00		20 00
Watauga,	1		J M Payne.	W R Gragg,	Grand Father	3	1	1	2	1	2		76	1 00			
Yellow Hill,	4	1	P H Haire,	A T Lee,	Summit,	3	6	1	2	10	3	2	108	1 35	3 52	1 00	25 00
16	9	6					56	18	11	35	13	4	1082	$12 45	$31 74	$ 3 40	$ 143 32

*Churches not represented. †Pastor's name not given.

STATISTICAL TABLE NO. 2.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.	SUPERINTENDENTS.	SECRETARIES.	Number Enrolled.	Average Attendance.	Expenses.	Contribution for Orphanage.
Boones Fork,	J. F. Church,			30		
Laurel Fork,	L. C. Kerley,					
Mt. Vernon,	Thos. L. Day,	T. L. Critcher,	110	87	$ 3 98	2 11
Middle Cane,	Wm. Minton,	John R. Hodges,	54	35		
New River,	B. F. Wilcox,	R. M. Phillips,	64	37		
Poplar Grove,	Noah Winkler,				1 83	
Stony Fork,	R. L. Wagner,	W. L. Hendrix,	104	46 17-23	3 10	
Yellow Hill,	D. Greene, D. S. Lee, H. H. Church			88 ½	2 80	
			332	324 28 69	11 71	2 11

From R. H. Pipes
Buffalo Cove N. Ca.

MINUTES

— OF THE —

FORTY-THIRD ANNUAL SESSION

— OF THE —

Stony Fork Baptist Association,

— HELD WITH —

Mt. Ephraim Church,

WATAUGA COUNTY, N. C.

August 16th and 17th, 1904.

Moderator—E. M. Gragg, Grand Father, N. C.
Clerk—Wm. M. Lee, Summit, N. C.

The next session will be held with the Church at Mt. Paran, Wautauga County, N. C., on Friday, before the second Sunday in October, 1905, at 11 o'clock a. m.

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Moravian Falls, N. C.

MINUTES OF THE STONY FORK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

The Stony Fork Baptist Association convened with the Mt. Ephraim Church in its 43d annual session on Tuesday, Aug. 16th 1904.

After singing by the congregation, Elder E. M. Gragg read the Eighth Psalm, and Elder V. M. Carter led in prayer. Elder E. M. Gragg preached the introductory sermon from Duet. 1:25. Wm. M. Lee offered some exhortational remarks.

After an intermission of thirty minutes the delegates re-assembled in the church house and were led in prayer by Elder I. C. Miller. Letters were handed in from the churches represented. Brother W. R. Gragg assisted the clerk in reading the letters.

Elder E. M. Gragg was elected moderator, and Wm. E. Lee clerk. Elder Hight C. Moore and V. M. Carter served as tellers.

On motion an invitation was extended to churches wishing to unite with this Association. None present.

On motion correspondents and visitors were invited to seats. V. M. Carter from South Yadkin, W. N. Church and M. D. Miller from Stony Fork, and J. M. Payne from Three Forks Association, Hight C. More representing Sunday Schools, J. H. Gorrell representing Wake Forrest College, and J. S. Farmer representing the Biblical Recorder and the Thomasville Orphanage, accepted seats.

On motion the moderator was empowered to make all temporary appointments during this session, and he announced the following committees:

On Devotional Exercises. The pastor and delegates of Mt. Ephraim Church.

On Order of Business. I. C. Miller, J. R. Hodges, and H. C. Moore, with the moderator and clerk.

On Resolutions. R. H. Pipes, Zach T. Greene.

On Sunday Schools. L. W. Kerley, D. L. H. Layel and H. C. Moore.

On Orphanage. T. S. Robbins, J. F. Church and J. S. Farmer.

On Education. R. H. Pipes, J. D. Cook and J. H. Gorrell.

On Temperance. George Gragg, W. S. Greene, J. M. Payne and R. H. Pipes.

On Missions. J. S. Brown, W. R. Gragg, H. C. Moore.

On Periodicals. I. S. Miller, J. S. Farmer, T. M. Greene.

On Correspondence. J. F. Church and George Gragg.

On Finance. Zach T. Greene, J. F. Church and W. R. Gragg.

On motion, taken up the report on periodicals, which was read by J. S. Farmer, and discussed by J. S. Farmer and others, and adopted.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

Baptists have ever believed in the cultivation of the mind as well as the heart. We believe that information is essential to success in every line, and Christian people can no more succeed without the knowledge of the cause they hold most dear, than a man from the mountains could sail a ship. We therefore recommend to all of our Baptist people the Biblical Recorder, the organ of our State convention. It has served our people for more than seventy years, and is now better able to serve our denomination than ever before in the history of the paper. We also recommend Charity and Children, the Orphanage paper. We can do no better than to get the paper from our Orphanage. We also recommend the Foreign Mission Journal and the Home Field. These are our own papers and should receive our hearty support.

I. C. MILLER,
J. S. FARMER,
Committee.

Committee on Devotional Exercises reported, Hight C. Moore to preach Wednesday at 11 o'clock a. m., and J. M. Payne at 1:30 o'clock p. m.

On motion adjourned to meet Wednesday at 9 o'clock a. m. Prayer by H. C. Moore.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Wednesday, Aug. 17th, 1904, 9 o'clock a. m.

The Association met according to appointment. Singing, led by I. C. Miller. Reading the Scripture and prayer by J. H. Gorrell. ,

Called the roll and marked absentees.

On motion read minutes of yesterday, which were adopted.

On motion the Committee on Order of Business reported, which report was adopted.

Read Rules of Decorum and Article of Faith.

Extended invitation to correspondents and visitors. P. C. Woodhouse from Yadkin, and J. E. Greene from Stony Fork Association, accepted.

Report on Sunday Schools was read by H. C. Moore, and spoken to by H. C. Moore and I. C. Miller, and adopted.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

The Sunday School has been defined as the church engaged in the study and teaching of the Scripture. It is a powerful agency for the dissemination of the truth, the proper observance of the Sabbath, the right training of the rising generation, the biblical culture of the church membership and the general advancement of our Lord's kingdom on earth. We believe that the Bible authorizes the work aimed at in our Sunday Schools, and that the Bible is the great theme and basis of study. The work is therefore entitled to our hearty sympathy, earnest prayer, and active co-operation of all loyal servants of God. Hence we urge all our churches to renewed interest and constant endeavor in the great work of teaching the Bible from Sunday to Sunday. We beg to recommend further. 1st. That each of our churches put new life and fervor in its Sunday School work, and that it report every year so that the Sunday School table in our minutes may be full and complete. 2d. That we, as a body, earnestly encourage the establishment, maintenance and improvement of the Sunday Schools in our borders. 3d. That we approve the efforts of our brethren over the State, looking to the betterment of our Sunday Schools in numbers, spirituality, efficiency and influence.

D. L. H. LAYEL,
L. W. KERLEY,
HIGHT C. MOORE,
Committee.

The report on Orphanage was read by J. S. Farmer, remarks were made by J. S. Farmer and others, and a collection was taken of $2.39, and the report was adopted.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE.

We have now three hundred children in our Orphanage. We have a prospect of one hundred more children within the next year. The cost of taking care of a child is only $5 per month. This feeds, clothes, teaches and preaches to the children, and pays all expenses. There are twenty brick buildings on our Orphanage grounds. We have a fine farm, a shoe shop, sash and resaw shops, called the Mills Memorial Buildings, and the printing outfit, for charity and children. The entire plant is worth one hundred and fifty thousand dollars. The Dennis Simmons bequest provides for the enlargement of the Simmons Nursery, so as to provide for the care of one hundred little boys. When the house is so enlarged as to shelter the hundred boys, the interest of the bequest will care for one hundred children year after year so long as the world stands. We also have an abundant water supply in the splendid well recently completed. We have the greatest Orphanage plant in North Carolina, and as good as there is in the South.

God's richest blessings have been upon our work at Thomasville, and we have every cause to give thanks and press forward.

Respectfully submitted,

T. S. ROBBINS,
J. F. CHURCH,
J. S. FARMER,
Committee.

The report on Education was read by J. H. Gorrell, and adopted.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

We Baptists have always associated religion with education. We have recognized the fact that an enlightened and educated people and ministry are the most helpful factors in true religious progress as a denomination. We have also felt that great desirability of the best educational opportunities offered by institutions owned and controlled by our own denomination. The Baptists of North Carolina now possess two institutions of the highest grade for the higher education of our young women and young men. The Baptist University for women, established at Raleigh, although being in existence for only a few years, has become one of the largest and the strongest woman's colleges in the country. It has handsome and valuable buildings situated in the heart of Raleigh, a large and efficient faculty, and is able to provide the best educational advantages for our young women at small cost. Wake Forest College, situated 17 miles from Raleigh, has a glorious history of over 70 years, during which time it has trained thousands of Baptist boys. Its usefulness has increased with its age, and last year was its most successful session. There were 328 students in attendance; a great revival of two weeks was conducted by Dr. Tyrce of Raleigh, during which a large number of our students professed faith in Christ; a new building is now being constructed by our Alumni, and through the generosity of our beloved brother, John Mitchell, we shall soon be able to build a much needed infirmary. These two great institutions need the support and encouragement of all of our people. We also report the continuous growth of Associational Preparatory Schools, and recommend that one of these be installed in every Association. Brethren help us in our great work.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. PIPES,
J. H. GORRELL,
Committee.

The report on Missions was read by Hight C. Moore. In connection with the report Elder Hight C. Moore preached a missionary sermon. Text, Mark 16:15, and Acts 1:8. After an intermission of thirty minutes the Association was called to rder by the moderator, and remarks were made by I. C. Miller, a letter from Bro. T. L. Blaylock—in China—was read by R. H. Pipes, the report was adopted.

REPORT ON MISSIONS.

Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature, was the express command of our Lord. Here our authority and our duty is laid down by Him who was the great missionary from Heaven to earth. Into every part of the earth we are to go, to go with a full and faithful gospel, to bear this good news of salvation to every inhabitant of the whole world. And not only was the duty defined, but the field was designated by our Saviour just before His ascension: "Ye shall be my witnesses both in Jerusalem (their home city), and in all Judea (their home country), and Samaria (their neighboring country), and unto the uttermost parts of the earth," Acts 1:8). All of this is mission work and our Baptist brethren have been for many years following these divisions of it. This, our Jerusalem, is our neighborhood and Association, and this work we call Associational Missions; our Judea is North Carolina, and this work we call State

Missions; our Samaria is our entire Southland, including Cuba, and this work we call Home Missions; to us "the uttermost parts of the earth" means the papal and pagan fields of the world, and this work we call Foreign Missions. Such are the various phases of the one great and glorious work. Let us then pray the Lord of the harvest to send forth more laborers into the field so ready for the gospel sickle. And when the Lord calls them it is our duty to send them, for as Paul says, "how shall they preach except they be sent?" Our duty is clear. We should give cheerfully and as the Lord has prospered us, in order to send to our own and other lands the glad tidings of great joy. Our churches are therefore urged to give to missions more largely than ever before, and so endeavor to hasten the glad time when "the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the Lord as the waters cover the sea."

W. R. GRAGG,
J. S. BROWN,
HIGHT C. MOORE,
Committee.

The report on Temperance was read by R. H. Pipes, and after remarks by W. N. Church, R. H. Pipes, Thos. Miller, U. S. Hampton, I. C. Miller and J. M. Payne, the report was adopted.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

All recognized authorities concur in the statement that life is shortened and disease induced, and the body very materially injured by indulgence in alcoholic liquors. The figures show 100,000 deaths directly, and many more can be accounted for indirectly, annually from alcohol's reign. Then think of the financial loss estimated that: From drunkenness 50 per cent., to sober men 5 per cent., pauperism 1 per cent., insanity and disability 25 per cent. sickness 14 per cent., labor of liquor maker 40 per cent., total 145.5 per cent. Thus the indirect cost is 145.5 per cent. of the direct cost. The direct cost for 1900 was $1,172,493,000, which added to the indirect cost would make the enormous sum of $2,804,958,000, and yet no account is taken of the cost of buildings and machinery for making the liquors, nor of the insurance, taxes, rentals, time of liquor dealers, clerk hire and many other necessary expenditures. The real total cost to the nation for 1900 must have been about $5,000,000,000, while the revenue to the government was only $170,000,000 for that year, then there was a total loss of full $4,830,000,000. Yet this was but about a fairly average year. Under the circumstances what is the wise thing for all of us to do? Leaving the social and moral aspect of the matter entirely untouched, and considering only our physical and financial interest, would it not be the part of wisdom to make up our minds, once and for all, to use every possible effort to abolish the saloon? Every member of the churches of this Association is earnestly requested to study the question prayerfully and dispassionately, and with their minds on the churches and nations welfare, and deside what will be his own action. The use of tobacco among our members is, we believe, a great mistake. It is a great surprise to us to see the indifference of the members of our churches, and especially the ministers, of laying the proper example bfore the rising generation, when we see the use of tobacco, and especially the use of cigarettes, is sapping the very life of our boys and young men. We earnestly insist that the members of the churches take a decided stand against the evils of intemperance in all its forms.

J. M. PAYNE,
W. S. GREENE,
R. H. PIPES,
Committee.

Noticed query: "Is Foot Washing an Ordinance?" Answer: We advise all our churches to practice feet washing, as it is taught by Jesus Christ in His Word. John, 13 chap., 1st Tim., 5:10.

On motion the corresponding messenger appointed last year be continued for this year.

The Committee on Finance reported and the report was adopted.

REPORT ON FINANCE.

Received from the churches for minutes	$11.65
Received for Missions (T. L. Blaylock)	4.10
Received for Orphanage	6.70
Total	$22.45

W. R. GRAGG,
J. R. GREENE,
Committee.

Committee on Resolutions reported, and the report was adopted.

REPORT ON RESOLUTIONS.

Resolved, That the thanks of this body are due, and are hereby tendered to the Mt. Ephraim Church, and friends in the community, for entertaining us during this session.

R. H. PIPES,
Z. T. GREENE,
Committee.

Treasurer's Report was read by Wm. M. Lee, and adopted.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Received from Finance Committee:

For Minute Fund		$12.45
For Missions		6.28
For Orphanage		4.51
And from public collections:		
For Missions		1.60
For Orphanage		4.05
Total received		$28.89
Paid for Minutes and mailing	$8.45	
Paid Clerk	4.00	
Paid T. L. Blaylock (less expense for sending)	7.88	
Paid Orphanage (less expense for sending)	8.56	
Total paid out		$28.89

Respectfully,
WM. M. LEE,
Treasurer.

On motion, appointed the Clerk Treasurer, and allowed him $4.00 for his services, and instructed him to have as many minutes printed as the money would pay for.

Appointed the next Association to meet with Mt. Paran Church on Friday, before the second Sunday, in October, 1905, at 11 o'clock a. m., and appointed Wm. E. Lee to preach the introductory sermon, and W. N. Church alternate.

On motion advised all our churches to lay by them in store on the first day of the week, as God hath prospered them (1st Cor., 16:2), that they may have to give to him that needeth (Eph. 4:28).

On motion the Association adjourned to meet at time and place appointed. Elder I. C. Miller conducted the closing exercises by making touching remarks. T. S. Robbins led, while the congregation joined in

singing "How Firm a Foundation, etc." J. M. Payne led in prayer, which closed the 43d Annual Session of the Stony Fork Baptist Association.

W. M. LEE, Clerk. E. M. GRAGG, Moderator.

LIST OF DELEGATES.

Boone's Fork	J. F. Church
Buffalo Cove	I. C. Miller, R. H. Pipes, T. S. Robbins
Blowing Rock	Not represented
Doe Ridge	T. M. Greene
Elk	Not represented
Laurel Fork	Loss W. Kerley
Mt. Vernon	G. W. Gragg, Thos. L. Day
Mt. Paran	Thomas Miller, Smith Watson
Mt. Ephraim	N. S. Hampton, Dan'l M. Wheeler, A. Greer
Middle Cane	J. R. Hodges, W. W. Hodges
New Hopewell	Not represented
New River	J. S. Brown, R. M. Phillips
Poplar Grove	Z. T. Greene, D. L. H. Layel
Stony Fork	W. S. Greene, J. D. Cook, W. H. Miller
Watauga	W. R. Gragg, E. M. Gragg
Yellow Hill	Wm. M. Lee

OFFICERS AND PREACHERS OF THE ASSOCIATION.

E. M. GRAGG, Moderator, Grand Father, N. C.
WM. E. LEE, Clerk and Treasurer, Summit, N. C.

ORDAINED MINISTERS.

CHURCH, W. N.,
CHURCH, JOHN WM.,
GRAGG, E. M.,
GREENE, EDMOND,
LEE, WM. M.,
MILLER, I. C.,
WILSON, LEVI,
WOODRUFF, G. C.

LICENTIATES.

GREENE, J. E.,
GREENE, W. L.,
GREENE, W. S.,
MILLER, THOMAS,
LAYEL, D. L. H.,
MILLER, M. D.,
MILLER, T. C.,
WHEELER, D. M.

STATISTICAL TABLE NO. 1.

Sunday Schools.	Superintendents.	Secretaries.	Number Enrolled.	Average Attendance.	Expenses.	Contribution for Orphanage.	Contribution for Missions.
Boone's Fork	J. F. Church		50	.....	$	$	$
Doe Ridge	A. B. Greene		...	30	.....	.....	....
Laurel Fork	L. W. Kerley	Edgar Storie	70	35	2 25	.....	....
Mt. Vernon	John Bowles	N. L. Harrison	60	46	3 00	.....	....
New River	B. F. Wilcox	R. M. Phillips	47	27	1 25	.....	....
Poplar Grove	Noah Winkler	H. S. Hodges	...	.....	.....	.....	....
Stony Fork	R. L. Wagner	W. L. Hendrix	90	66 2-3	3 77	.....	11.00
Watauga	W. R. Gragg	G. R. McLoon	100	60	3 00	.....	....
*Yellow Hill	J. C. Waters	J. W. Church	103	62	5 41	.....	....

* W. S. Church is Treasurer.

STATISTICAL TABLE NO. 2.

Churches.	Ordained Ministers.	Licentiates.	Pastors.	Clerks.	Post Offices.	Church days.	Received by Baptism.	Received by Letter.	Restored.	Dismissed by Letter.	Excluded.	Deceased.	Total Membership.	Contributions for Minutes.	Contributions for Missions.	Contributions for Orphanage.	Paid Pastor.
Boone's Fork	....	..	J. P. Hagaman	A. H. Dula	Kelsy, N. C.	2	14	..	1	5	1	..	61	$ 50	$	s $ 70	$15 00
Buffalo Cove	1	..	I. C. Miller	R. H. Pipes	Buffalo Cove, N. C.	4	2	..	..	3	2	1	92	1 00	13 55	4 00	27 20
Blowing Rock	....	..	Not represented	....	....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	....	....	....	....
Doe Ridge	1	..	Edmond Greene	T. S. M. Greene	Sugarloaf, N. C.	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	41	50	....	....	....
Elk	....	..	Not represented	....	....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	....	....	....	....
Laurel Fork	1	..	E. D. Crisp	A. J. Shull	Blowing Rock, N. C.	3	18	1	1	2	3	1	91	1 00	....	....	25 00
Mt. Vernon	....	..	J. M. Payne	Thos. L. Day	Aho, N. C.	1	15	4	3	6	1	1	166	1 60	3 45	2 00	26 60
Mt. Ephraim	....	1	W. N. Church	N. S. Hampton	Bamboo, N. C.	2	4	5	..	1	..	..	72	1 00	....	....	....
Mt. Paran	....	2	Wm. M. Lee J. E. Green, Ass't	Allen Watson	Stony Fork, N. C.	4	..	2	..	..	..	1	27	50	....	....	....
Middle Cane	....	..	Without Pastor	John R. Hodges	Middle Cane, N. C.	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	22	50	....	....	....
New Hopewell	....	..	Not represented	....	....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	....	....	....	....
New River	....	..	A. W. Osborn	R. M. Phillips	McGuire N. C.	1	11	3	*1	2	3	..	50	75	1 10	1 10	13 00
Poplar Grove	....	1	J. M. Payne	Z. T. Greene	Moody, N. C.	4	8	2	2	2	1	..	94	1 00	1 00	1 00	19 63
Stony Fork	....	4	P. H. Haire	R. L. Wagner	Stony Fork, N. C.	2	..	..	..	2	..	..	156	1 50	9 72	1 75	6 75
Watauga	1	..	E. M. Gragg	W. R. Gragg	Grand Father, N. C.	3	9	..	..	..	..	1	84	1 00	....	....	....
Yellow Hill	4	..	Wm. M. Lee	A. T. Lee	Summit, N. C.	3	13	6	4	6	3	2	120	85	....	....	....
Total	16	8	8	....	....	..	94	23	12	29	14	7	1076	11 70	28 82	10 55	133 18

* Received by application. s Was paid by the church to the Orphanage.

J. F. Fletcher

MINUTES

OF THE

Forty-fourth Annual Session

OF THE

STONY FORK

Baptist Association

HELD WITH

Mt. Paran Church

Wautauga County, N. C.

October 6, 7, and 8

1905

Moderator, E. M. GRAGG, Grandfather, N. C.
Clerk and Treas., WM. M. LEE, Summit, N. C.

The next session will be held with the Church at Yellow Hill Wilkes County, N. C., on Tuesday after the second Sunday in October, 1906, at eleven o'clock A. M.

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MINUTES.

The Stony Fork Baptist Association met with the Church at Mt. Paran in its 44th Annual Session, on Friday Oct.6, 1905. After singing, Elder John Crisp, led in prayer. Elder C. S. Farthing read and commented on the 103rd Psalm and led in prayer. Elder Wm. M. Lee, Preached the Introductory Sermon from Matt. 28:20. and John 13: 19. Elder W. N. Church, Alternate, followed in a Sermon from Acts, 2:37.

After an intermission of 30 minutes, the Delegates re-assembled in the church house and were led in prayer by Elder John Norris.

Letters were handed in by the Delegates of the churches represented. Elder C. S Farthing, and Bro. Wm. Elrod read the letters.

On Motion, Elder C. S. Farthing, wasinstructed to cast the vote of the Association for Elders, E. M. Gragg, for Moderator, and Wm. M. Lee, for Clerk.

On Motion an invitation was extended to newly constituted churches. None present.

Invited Correspondents and visitors: John Crisp, C. S. Farthing, John Norris, Wm. Elrod, S. T. Carroll, from Three Forks;and W.N. Church from Stony Fork Associations, accepted.

The Moderator appointed the following Committees:

On Devotional Exercises—The Pastor and Delegates of Mt. Paran Church.

On order of Business—I. C. Miller, A. J. Shull, R. H. Pipes, John Crisp, J.R. Hodges, with the Moderator and Clerk added.

On Resolutions— J. F. Church, Thos. L. Day.

On Sunday Schools—C. S. Farthing, R. L. Wagner, H. H. Church and R. H. Pipes.

On Orpanage— Wm. Elrod, S. T. Carroll, Noah Winkler, and W. S. Hampton.

On Education— R. H. Pipes, John Crisp and D.S. Lee.

On Temperance—I. C. Miler,T. R. Greene, W. N. Church.

On Missions— I. C. Miller. D. S. Lee,A. T. Townson, F. L. Dula.

On Periodicals—John Norris, J. R. Hodges.

On Correspondents—W. S. Greene, Wm. Beshears.

On Finances— Thos L. Day,W. W. Church.

On Motion, a Committee on Obituaries was appointed, viz: C. S. Farthing, Wm. M. Lee.

Committee on Devotional Exercises reported, That Elder W.S. Hampton open service and Elder John Crisp preach at10 o'clock A. M. Saturday. That Elder E. M. Gragg preach at 12: 30 o'clock, P. M. and that Elder D. M. Wheeler open Service and Elder C. S. Farthing Preach at 2 o'clock P. M.

On Motion, Adjourned to meet Saturday at 9 o'clock, A. M. Prayer by John Crisp, Benediction by Wm. M. Lee.

SECOND DAY OCT. 7, 1905.

Saturday 9 o'clock A. M. Met according to adjournment. Elder John Crisp read 116 Psalm. Elder C. S. Farthing led in prayer. Singing was lead by D. S. Lee.

The Moderator called the Association to order.

Called the Roll and marked absentees.

Read minutes of yesterday which were adopted

Read Report on Order of Business, which was adopted.

Read rules or Decorum and articles of faith.

Extended Invitation to Correspondents and visitors. Lindsey Triplett, from Brushy Mountain, and W. R. Moore from Three Forks Association accepted seats.

R. L. Wagner read the report on Sunday Schools, which after touching remarks, was adopted.

REPORT.

The Sunday School has been defined as the Church

at work for the cause of Christ, and for the advancement of the rising generations; that they may be able to meet the conflicts of this world, so that they might not yield to the powers of sin, and be so easily led astray from the Truths of the Bible. We believe that the Bible authorizes the work aimed at in the Sunday Schools, St. Matthew 5th chapter and 16th verse says: "Let your light so shine before men that they may see your good works and gloryfy your Father which is in heaven." So we urge every church to have at least six months Sunday School for the training of the little ones. Think, fathers, where are your boys drifting. Think, mothers, where are your girls drifting? Proverbs of Solomon, 10th chapter says, "A wise Son maketh a glad father, but a foolish son is the heaviness of his mother." So fathers and mothers, we beg you in the name of Jesus, come into the Sunday School ranks, with your hand in hand bringing in your children. The Lord will give you stars in your crown. We urge the Pastors to encourage the Sunday School work more in the next year than ever before.

Committee—
R. L. WAGNER,
H. H. CHURCH,
R. H. PIPES,
C. S. FARTHING.

The Report on the Orphanage was read by Wm. Elrod, and spoken to by Bro. Elrod and others, and on motion a collection was taken amounting to $2.45, and Pledges to be paid by next association amounting to $19.00, after which the report was adopted.

REPORT.

The Orphanage home at Thomasville is a Baptist Institution, and deserves the hearty co-operation and commendation of the Baptist people of the Stony Fork association. There are now at Thomasville more than 300 children dependent upon Christian Charity for their maintenance. There has been false accusations

against the management of the Orphanage which are discountenanced by all who know the facts about the Orphanage and its management, notwithstanding this Association has no children there, it should have, and we should increase our contributions. It cost only about $4.00 to $5.00 per month to support a child. They are required to work at various occupations a limited time each day; the remainder of the day is given to study and moral training.

The Orphanage is well managed. Good teachers are employed and everything in a prosperous condition. By recognizing our Baptist Institution we are brought in closer touch with the great Baptist people of North Carolina. The doors of the Baptist Orphanage are open at all times for the reception of any and all who have and can properly meet the requirements for enterance. The mis-representations that have been made are due to ignorance, and in order to know more about the Orphanage, we should read Charity and Children.

Respectfully Submitted,

Committee—
WM. ELROD,
S. T. CARROLL.
NOAH WINKLER,
U. S. HAMPTON.

The Report on Education was read, and spoken to by D. S. Lee, and adopted. At this time Prof. B. B. Dougherty came in, and on motion he was invited to address the Association on the subject of education. He delivered a pleasant, impressive address, then Elders C. S Farthing, I. C. Miller and D. S. Lee delivered addresses.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

Bible Education is an educated heart and mind. We believe that the command to seek the Kingdom of God and his righteousness should have the first educative emphasis, and then the mind is safely ready for earth-

ly wisdom, being guided by the first and most powerful education, heavenly wisdom. An educated mind and an uneducated heart, always makes failures, while an educated heart can succed without the educated mind, but we emphasize the great importance of an education in the broadest sense. An educated ministry will be the great cry by the rising generations as general education is advancing so rapidly. May the ministry advance more rapidly if possible,than any other people that they may continue to lead the people to victory. We advise our ministers to take advantage of all the ministerial education that is offered by our Baptist Schools and Colleges. Our uneducated fathers in the ministry have been successful, and we ask their endorsement of and hearty co-operation with any and all worthy young men who are struggling to be successful in the Lord's work, and we furthermore ask our churches to recognize collections, or contributions for ministerial education. The Bible School at Wake Forest is offering to donate $9.00 per month to any minister that is worthy, and there is no reason for any young minister blundering in his work, on account of ignorance as all advantages nesessary are offered. Praying God's blessings upon the Baptist cause, that we may not grovel in darkness, but that we may walk in the light of the union of Heavenly and earthly wisdom.

Respectfully Submitted.

Committee—
D. S. LEE,
R. H. PIPES,
JOHN CRISP.

D. S. Lee, read the report on Missions, which was adopted.

REPORT ON MISSIONS.

Missions are divided into four divisions: Foreign, Home State and Associational. We believe all have Bible origin, therefore we advise their support. First we should consider our need of Associational missionaries. Secondly, we should help give the Gospel

to the destitution in the State. Thirdly we should help give the Gospel to the destitution in our Home Mission field which includes the entire South Land, and all our recent possessions. Fourthly we should help give the Gospel to the world at large. We believe that God is, through the fulfillment of Prophesy opening the way for expansion in the Foreign Mission Cause, and as we enlarge our territory we must enlarge our contributions. We advise our churches to recognize both, the Board and Gospel Mission Plan of supporting the Gospel, as we have Missionaries that are working through both who are near to our hearts. As the State Board has offered to help support an Associational Missionary in the Stony Fork Association, we advise our churches to help liberally in the support of any one who may be recommended and appointed by the Board.

Respectfully Submitted.

Committee—
C. S. FARTHING,
I. C. MILLER,
D. S. LEE.

W. N. Church read the report on Temperance, and after remarks by Elder W. N. Church the report was adopted.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

We believe that the Manufacture, Sale and use of intoxicating drinks are a great evil. We advise our brethren to abstain from the same.

Committee—
W. N. CHURCH,
T. R. GREEN.

The Association authorized the Clerk to write and place in the Minutes a report on Obituaries. Remarks by C. S. Farthing, John Crisp and I. C. Miller.

REPORT ON OBITUARIES.

We recommend that each church in the Association appoint its clerk a Committeeman whose duty it shall be to collect, or write such Obituaries as the churches wish published. That the churches wishing to have Obituaries printed shall pay for the printing of the same, provided the Association may help to pay, or pay in full for printing said Obituaries. That the Obituaries of Elder Levi Wilson and Deacon David Mikeal be printed in these Minutes. Brethr'n Thomas L. Day and A. J. Shull, paid .25cts each for Bro. Wilson's and T. R. Greene paid .25cts on the Obituaries, D. S. Lee paid .25cts on the Obituaries. —*Clerk.*

R. L. Wagner read the report on Correspondence, which was adopted.

REPORT.

Messengers to Brushy Mountain: Wm. M. Lee, and Wm. Beshears. To Mitchell County: J. F. Church and E. M. Gragg. To Alleghany and Grayson: J. F. Church and E. M. Gragg. To Three Forks: R. L. Wagner and W. S. Greene. Ashe County: I. C. Miller and W. N. Church. To Caldwell County: R. H. Pipes. To Blue Ridge: D. S. Lee.

Committee—
W. S. GREENE,
Wm. BESHEARS.

W. N. Church read the report on Devotional Exercises, which was adopted.

REPORT.

Elder I. C. Miller and Wm. M. Lee to preach Sunday, beginning at 11 o'clock A. M.

W. N. CHURCH, Chairman.

Treasurer's report for 1905, was read and approved.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

Received from Finance Committee and Public Collections:

For Minute Fund,	$12.10
For Missions,	4.10
For Orphanage,	9.09
Total	$25.29

Paid for Minutes and Mailing,	$8.10	
Paid to T. L. Blaylock, (in China)	4.10	
Paid to Orphanage,	9.09	
Paid to Clerk,	4.00	
Total paid out,		$25.29

Respectfully,
Wm. M. LEE, Clerk and Treasurer.

On Motion the Clerk was appointed Treasurer and to superintend the printing of these Minutes.

On motion appointed the next Association to meet with the church at Yellow Hill, onTuesday after the Second Sunday in October 1906, at 11 o'clock, A. M., and appointed, I. C. Miller to preach the Introductory Sermon, and N. S. Hampton, alternate.

The report on Periodicals was read and adopted. Remarks were made by I. C. Miller, W. S. Greene, and R. H. Pipes.

REPORT.

There never was a time in the history of the Baptist, when they have had a greater need of information than at the present. The Baptist cause is not confined to this country alone, but the world has Baptist infuence to some extent at least. To know what is being done by the Baptist people abroad, we should read our Baptist Newspapers, a Medium of Communication with the Baptist world. The Baptist people are one if we could understand each other. We therefore advise our people to read more Baptist literature, that we may be brought in closer touch with each other in our one common cause. We recommend the Biblical Recorder and North Carolina Baptist, as Strong Baptist Papers, and any others that have the endorsement

of the Baptist People as safe and wholesome literature.

Respectfully Submitted.

Committee—
JOHN R. HODGES,
JOHN NORRIS.

The Report of the Committee on Finance was read and adopted:

REPORT ON FINANCE.

Received for Minutes - - - - - -	$12.30
Received for Orphanage, - - - - - -	7.42
Received for Missions, (T. L. Blaylock,) -	-5.22
Total Received,	$24.94

Allowed the Clerk $4.00 for his services.

Committee—
THOS.L. DAY
R. H. PIPES.

On Motion, Granted Buffalo Cove Church a letter of dismission to join the Caldwell County Association. The Report on Resolutions was read and adopted.

Resolved, That the thanks of this body are due and are hereby tendered to the Mt. Paran Church, and Brethren and Sisters of other Churches, and friends in the community for entertaining us during this session.

Committee—
J. F. CHURCH,
THOS. L. DAY.

On Motion, Tendered the thanks of the body to Bro. J. Tice Wagner, a Methodist for his kindness in helping to support the Association.

On Motion the Moderator was authorized to appoint an Executive Committee, to look after the general interest of the Association, especially as to the need of Associational Missionaries. He appointed Thomas L. Day, A. J. Shull, Noah Winkler. The Com

mittee selected I. C. Miller, and D. S. Lee, as Missionaries for the ensuing year.

Pledges were taken for the Orphanage, as follows:

Boones Fork,	$1.00
Mt. Vernon,	2.00
Middle Cane,	1.50
Stony Fork,	5.00
Yellow Hill,	5.00
Laurel Fork,	2.00
Mt. Paran,	1.00
Poplar Grove,	.50
Watauga,	1.00
Total,	$19.00

On motion, we do now adjourn this session of the Association.

After some very interesting remarks by the Moderator, Elder John Crisp made some very pointed remarks and led in prayer, and adjourned the 44th Session of the Stony Fork Baptist Association.

Wm. M. LEE, Clerk, E. M. GRAGG, Moderator.

Sunday October 8th, 1905. The Congregation assembled at the Stand. Singing led by D. S. Lee, I. C. Miller, read part of 1st Cor. 16th chapter, W. R. Moore led in prayer, I. C. Miller preached a touching Sermon from 1st Cor. 16:9, a collection was taken up for the Orphanage amounting to $2.72. Good order prevailed and the meeting closed with good feelings, and an old-fashioned hand shaking.

Clerk.

Officers andPreachers of the Association:

E. M. Gragg, Moderator, - -Grand Father, N. C.
Wm. M. Lee, Clerk and Treas. - -Summit, N. C.

ORDAINED MINISTERS.

Church, W. N.,	Hampton, N. S.,
Church, John Wm.,	Lee, Wm. M.,
Gragg, E. M.,	Miller, I. C.,
Greene, Edmond,	Wheeler, D. M.
Greene James E.	

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	CLERKS.	POST OFFICES.
Boone's Fork,	J. P. Hagaman,	A. H. Dula,	Kelsey, N. C.
Buffalo Cove,	I. C. Miller,	R. H. Pipes,	Buffalo Cove, N. C.
Blowing Rock,	Not Represented.		
Doe Ridge,	Not Represented.		
Elk,	N. S. Hampton, D. M. Wheeler,	F. L. Dula,	Elkville, N. C.
Laurel Fork,	I. C. Miller,	A. J. Shull,	Blowing Rock, N. C.
Mt. Vernon,	J. M. Payne,	Thos. L. Day,	Blowing Rock, N. C.
Mt. Ephraim,	W. N. Church,	N. S. Hampton,	Bamboo, N. C.
Mt. Paran,	W. N. Church,	Allen Watson,	Stony Fork, N. C.
Middle Cane,	J. E. Greene,	John B. Hodges,	Middle Cane, N. C.
New Hopewell,	Not Represented.		
New River,	P. H. Haire,	R. M. Phillips,	McGuire, N. C.
Poplar Grove,	J. M. Payne,	Z. T. Greene,	Moody, N. C.
Stony Fork,	Wm. M. Lee,	R. L. Wagner,	Stony Fork,N. C.
Watauga,	E. M. Gragg,	W.R. Gragg,	Grand Father, N. C.
Yellow Hill,	Wm. M. Lee,	H. H. Church,	Summit, N. C.

CHURCHES.	Ordained Ministers.	Licentiates.	Church Days.	Rec'd by Baptism.	Rec'd by Letter.	Restored.	Dis. by Letter.	Excluded.	Deceased.	Total Membership.	Contribution for Minutes.	Contribution for Missions.	Contribution for Orphanage.	Paid Pastor.
Boone's Fork,			2				4			57	.45			
Buffalo Cove,	1	1	1	6		3	6		2	93	1.00	12.75		29.51
Blowing Rock,														
Doe Ridge,														
Elk,			3	5		2				14	1.10			
Laurel Fork,			4				1	1	2	86	1.00	2.00	1.00	
Mt. Vernon,			1	1	1		4			164	1.50	5.56	4.00	45.00
Mt. Ephraim,	2		2					1	3	67	1.00			
Mt. Paran,		2	1	2	1	1				28	.50			
Middle Cane,			3	1	3					25	.50		.50	11.45
New Hopewell,														
New River,		1	1	1	1		5	2	1	44	.60	.25	1.80	
Poplar Grove,		1	4	2	1		2	3		92	1.00	57	.25	24.83
Stony Fork,	1	3	2	5	1		11	2		164	1.50	9.95	1.15	29.02
Watauga,	1		3		2		4	1	1	80	1.15			
Yellow Hill,	3	2	3		1	1	4		3	119	1.00		2.72	

Sunday Schools	Suptdts.	Secretaries.	Number Enrolled.	Average Attendence.	Expences.	Contribution for Orphanage.	Contribution for Missions.
Boones Fork	J. F. Church	J. C. Church Has a large, and good school.					
Buffalo Cove	L. A. Robbins		43	33			
Mt Vernon	Thos. L. Day			45	3.45		
Mt Epharim	D. M. Wheeler	N. G. Wheeler		32			
New River	B. F. Wilcox	R. M. Phillips	67	36			
Laurel Fork	A. J. Shull,		71	41		1.00	
Poplar Grove	Noah Winkler	W. L. Hendrix,		28			
Stony Fork	R. L. Wagner		112	70	150		
Watauga	W. R. Gragg	Has a good school.					
Yellow Hill	H. H. Church	E. R. Mikeal		58	7.03	1.39	

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OF THE

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BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

HELD WITH

Yellow Hill Baptist Church

WILKES COUNTY, N. C.

October 16th, 17th and 18th, 1906.

The next Session will be held with New River Church, Watauga County, N. C., beginning on Tuesday after the Second Sunday in September 1907, at 11 o'clock, A. M. David S. Lee, to preach the Introductory Sermon.

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Church, W. N. Greene, Edmond. Lee, Wm. M.
Church, John Wm. Greene, James E. Lee, David S.
Gragg, E. M. Hampton, Noah S. Wheeler, D. M.

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Greene, W. S. Miller, M. D. Miller, T. C. Layel, D. L. H.
Greene, W. L. Miller, Thomas. Wilcox, B. F. McGuire, J. G.

ROLL OF DELEGATES.

Boone's Fork, No Delegates.
Doe Ridge, Elbert Greene, T. M. Greene.
Elk, F. L. Dula.
Laurel Fork, Wm. L. Greene.
Mt. Vernon, Thos. L. Day.
Mt. Ephraim, Noah S. Hampton, N. G. Wheeler.
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Middle Cane, William Minton John W. Hendrix, J. E. Greene.
New Hopewell, Received letter since the Association.
New River, C. C. Phillips, J. C. Phillips, B. F. Wilcox.
Poplar Grove, Not Represented.
Stony Fork, R. L. Wagner, W. S. Greene, I. S. Watson.
Watauga, Received letter since the Association.
Yellow Hill, Wm. M. Lee, Wm. Beshears, H. H. Church.

Articles of Faith.

We believe in one only true and living God, and that there are three persons in the God-head—the Father, Son and Holy Ghost, and that these three are one.

We believe that the old and the new Testaments are the word of God, and the only rule of faith and practice.

We believe in impotency af man to recover himself from the fallen state which he is in by his own ability.

We believe that salvation is only by grace through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.

We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances instituted by Jesus Christ, and should be practiced by all true believers.

We believe that the only true mode of Baptism is by Immersion, and that true belivers are the only subjects.

We believe in the final perseverance of the Saints in grace to glory.

We blieve in the resurrection of the dead and general judgment.

We believe that the happiness of the righteous, and the punishment of the unrighteous, are both eternal.

Minutes.

The Stony Fork Baptist Association convened with the Church at Yellow Hill in its 45th annual session on Tuesday, Oct. 16 1906.

After singing by the class and congregation, Elder N. S. Hampton read 103 Psalm, and Wm. M. Lee led in prayer, and after singing another song, W. N. Church led in prayer, then after singing several songs, Elder N. S. Hampton, who was appointed Alternate last year, requested Elder Asa Brown to preach the Interductory Sermon. Bro. Brown read part of the 11th chapter of John and led in prayer, after which he preached an impressive Introductory Sermon from Acts 1: 8.

Intermission one hour.

As the Moderator of last year was absent, the Clerk of last year called the Association to order. Bro. Thos. L. Day was called to act as Moderator pro tem. Bro. G. W. Greene led in prayer.

Letters were handed in by the delegates of the churches represented. Elder David S. Lee and Bro. R. L. Wagner read the letters.

Proceeded to the election of officers. Elders Asa Brown and G. W. Greene acted as Tellers, who reported Thos. L. Day, Moderator, and Wm. M. Lee, Clerk. The election was unanimous.

Extended an invitation to churches wishing to join this Association. None present.

Invited Correspondents and Visitors: Bro. W. F. Keys from Ashe County; Elders Asa Brown and G. W. Greene from Three Forks; Bro. W. L. Hendrix from Brushy Mountain; and Elder Lee Miller from Blue Ridge Associations accepted seats.

On motion the Moderator and Clerk were empowered to appoint all committees, and they announced the following, viz.:

On Devotional Exercises— C. C. Phillips and Wm. Minton with the Pastor and Delegates of Yellow Hill Church.

On Order of Business— Asa Brown, Lee Miller, B. F. Wilcox, and David S. Lee with the Moderator, Clerk and Visitors.

On Resolutions— N. S. Hampton and Elbert Greene.

On Sunday Schools— H. H. Church, R. L. Wagner, B. F. Wilcox, and Thomas Miller.

On Orphanage— W. S. Greene, James Phillips and Wm. Greene.

On Education— Asa Brown, W. L. Hendrix and I. S. Watson.

On Temperance— David S. Lee, Asa Brown and Wm. Beshears.

On Missions— John W. Hendrix, W. L. Hendrix, David S. Lee, W. F. Keys and J. E. Greene.

On Periodicals— N. S. Wheeler, D. F. Greene, T. W. Greene, and B. F. Wilcox.

On Correspondence— H. H. Church, T. C. Miller, R. L. Wagner.

On Finance— W. S. Church, H. L. Beshears, N. S. Hampton and H. L. Church.

Committee on Devotional Exercises Reported: Elder N. S. Hampton preach Wednesday at 11 o'clock. B F. Wilcox to open services.

On Motion adjourned to meet Wednesday at 9 o'clock A. M., Elder Lee Miller conducted the closing service by a talk. Elder D. S. Lee led in prayer. Benediction by Elder Asa Brown.

SECOND DAY. OCTOBER 17th, 1906

Wednesday, 9 o'clock A. M., Met according to adjournment. Singing by the class. W. S. Greene read from Rom. 6th chapter. G. W. Greene led in prayer.

The Roll was called and absentees marked.

The Report on Order of Business was read and adopted.

On Motion, appointed a Committee on Pastoral Support, viz. Thos. L. Day, W. L. Hendrix, I. S. Watson, H. H. Church, C. C. Phillips, T. M. Greene and W. L. Greene.

Appointed a Committee on Time, Place and Preacher for next Association, viz., Wm. Beshears and C C. Phillips.

Read Rules of Decorum and Articles of Faith.

Extended invitation to correspondents and visitors: Brethern Lindsey Triplett from Brushy Mountain and W. N. Church and E. R. Mikeal from Stony Fork Association accepted seats.

Report on Sunday Schools was read by B. F. Wilcox and discused by B F. Wilcox and others. The Order of Business was suspended and Bro. G. F. Blackburn received as a visitor from Ashe County Association. Then the report on Sunday Schools was adopted.

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT.

The Sunday School has been defined as the Teaching Service of the Church for the advancement of the cause of Christ and the betterment of the lives of our young people, that they may be able to resist the power of sin, and that the impulse of their young and tender hearts may be captured and controlled by the Spirit of Christ. We believe that the Bible authorizes the work aimed at by the Sunday School. Christ says "Let your light so shine before

men that they may see your good works and glorify your father which is in Heaven ' So we urge every church to set forth their best efforts in this grand work of Christ, May the God of Heaven impress the hearts and minds of fathers and mothers of children, of the importance of taking their children to Sunday School and bringing them up in the way they should go and when they are old they will not depart therefrom.

R. L. Wagner, B. F. Wilcox, Thos. Miller, H. H. Church } Committee.

Report on Orphanage was read by David S. Lee, and spoken to by Asa Brown and others, and adopted.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE.

Your committee on Orphanage beg to report as follows: We heartily endorse and recommend the report of last year, and want to urge and insist that all our churches make good collections for the Orphanage the ensuing year, and advise that a committee be appointed in each church to collect for the Orphanage.

J. C. Phillips, W. L. Greene, W. S. Greene } Committee.

A public collection was taken up for the Orphanage amounting to $3.05, and pledges were taken as follows: Mt. Vernon, $5.00, Stony Fork, $5.00, Elk, by Bro. F. L. Dula, $1.00, Laurel Fork, $1.00, New River, $2.00, Yellow Hill, $5.00, Middle Cane, by Bro. J W. Hendrix, $1.00. Total pledges, $20.00.

The Association adjourned for one and a half hours, during which time Elder N. S. Hampton preached from Rev. 20: 1, 2, 3. Bro. B. F. Wilcox opened the service by reading 97th Psalm, and David S. Lee led in prayer.

After intermission, the Moderator called the Association to order.

Bro. J. C. Tomlinson accepted a seat as visitor from Ashe County Association.

David S. Lee read the report on Education which was discussed by Asa Brown, David S. Lee and Thos. L. Day, and adopted.

REPORT ON EDUCATIN.

Your committee on education recommend that we as a Baptist people, make a strong effort to educate our children, and we recommend the public schools as the starting point and we also recommend the Appalachian Training School as a preparatory school for college as long as religious freedom is given, and we also recommend Wake Forest College for preachers and those desiring college education, and the Baptist Female University for young ladies. Respectfully Submitted,

Asa Brown, W. L. Hendrix, I. S. Watson } Committee.

Suspended the Order of Business, and the Committee on Devotional Exercises reports that G. W. Greene preach Thursday at 11 o'clock a. m., J. E. Greene to open the service, and Asa Brown to preach at 1 o'clock p. m., David S. Lee to open the service.

H. H. Church, Chairman of Com.

The report on Missions was read by D. S. Lee, and discussed by D. S. Lee, N. S. Hampton and others, and adopted.

REPCRT ON MISSIONS.

Your committee on Missions offer the following report. We urge that all of our churches recognize every phase of our Mission work, as we believe that, Home, State and Foreign Missions have Bible authority, and should be heartly supported by all our churches and urged by our pastors. We also recomend the appointing of an Associational Missionary for the ensuing year, and continue to recognize and work through, and cooperate with the Board,

Respectfully, W. L. Hendrix, J. E. Greene, J. W. Hendrix, D. S. Lee, W. F. Keys } Committee.

On motion, adjourned to meet Thursday at 9 o'clock, a. m. Singing by D. S. Lee and class. Prayer by J. E. Greene. Benediction by Wm. M. Lee.

THIRD DAY, OCTOBER 18th 1906.

Thursday 9 o'clock a. m. Met according to adjournment. Called to order by the Moderator. Elder W. N. Church led in prayer.

On motion the minutes of yesterday were read and adopted.

The report on Temperance was read and by D. S. Lee, and discussed by D. S. Lee, Asa Brown, W. S. Church, W. N. Church, J. C. Tomlinson, Thos. Miller, N. S. Hampton and Thos. L. Day, and on motion the report was adopted.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Your committee on Temperance report as follows: We advise our churches to be temperate in all things that are not evil, and to shun, even, the appearance of evil, and to do this we must not engage in any habits or industries that promote evil, or encourage in any way the making, selling, or use of intoxicating drinks.

Respectfully Submitted, Wm. Beshears, D. S. Lee, Asa Brown | Committee.

The report on Obituaries, written by Wm. Lee, last year, was adopted. See report in the minutes of last year. Report on correspondence was read by R. L. Wagner, and adopted.

REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE.

We beg to report as follows: Messengers to visit the different Associations, viz.

Brushy Mountain—Wm. M. Lee and Wm. Beshears.

Mitchell County—Elbert Greene and T. M. Greene.

Alleghany & Grayson—B. F Wilcox and C. C. Phillips.

Three Forks— R. L. Wagner and W. S. Greene.
Ashe County— W. N. Church and Thos. L. Day.
Caldwell County— W. L. Greene and Thos. L. Day.
Blue Ridge— H. H. Church and D. F. Greene.

R. L. Wagner,
H. H. Church,
T. C. Miller
} Committee.

The report on Periodicals was read by B. F. Wilcox and spoken to by R. L. Wagner, D. S. Lee and W. S. Greene, and adopted.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

We believe it is the duty of our people to read good Baptist Literature and to furnish our homes and children with good reading matter, while there minds are being shaped for eternity. We recommend the Biblical Recorder, North Carolina Baptist, Charity and Children or any other good Baptist Paper or literature.

Respectfully, B. F. Wilcox, N. G. Wheeler, D. F. Greene, T. M. Greene } Committee.

Report of Executive Committee and Missionary was read by D. S. Lee, and spoken to by D. S. Lee, and adopted.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND MISSIONARY.

I have travelled about 500 miles, visited 200 homes. I have preached about 75 sermons. I have assisted pastors in holding 10 revivals, besides the Saturday and Sunday visits. There has been about 150 coversions, 125 of whom have been received by experience and baptism. I have taught 10 music schools. I have received about $50.00 from the people where I have labored, and $25.00 from the State Board. Our churches, except one, are in a prosperous condition. New Hopewell Church has no house of worship and needs help. Doe Ridge is building or enlarging and will need a little help. Watauga is building, having made a subscription sufficient to finish. Yellow Hill is building and is able to finish. New Hopewell must have special notice. Respectfully,

D. S. Lee, Missionary.

On motion of R. L. Wagner, an Executive Committee was appointed, consisting of five, viz. Thos. L. Day, Wm. M. Lee, Noah Winkler, H. H. Church, and I. S. Watson, whose duty shall be to select and appoint a Missionary for the ensuing year.

H. H. Church read the report on Pastoral Support.

REPORT ON PASTORAL SUPPORT.

Your committee believe that Pastoral Support in the Stony Fork Association has been too much neglected in the past. We recommend that each church appoint a committee to look after the Pastoral Support. H. H. Church, Chairman of Committee.

Report on Finance was read by N. S. Hampton, and adopted. Allowed the Clerk, $4.00 for his services. Taken up collection for minute fund amounting to $1.72.

RRPORT ON FINANCE.

Received for Minutes,	$9.81
Received for Orphanage,	6.85
Received for Foreign Missions, (T. I. Blaylock)	5.00
Total received,	$21.66

Respectfully, W. S. Church, N. S. Hampton, H. L. Beshears, H. L. Church } Com.

Treasurer's report was read by Wm. M. Lee, and adopted.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

Received from Finance Committee, Public and Private Collections as follows:

For Minutes, including Obituaries,		$13.30
For Orphanage,		12.84
For Missions, (T. L. Blaylock),		5.22
Total Received,		$31.36
Paid for Minutes and Mailing,	$9.30.	
Paid to Orphanage,	12.84.	
Paid to T. L. Blaylock, (in China)	5.22.	
Total paid out, including mailing expenses,		$31.36

Respectfuily,
Wm. M. Lee, Clerk and Treasurer

Report on time, place and preacher was read by N. S. Hampton and adopted.

REPORT ON TIME, PLACE AND PREACER.

The next Association will be held with the Church at New River, Watauga County, N. C. Beginning on Tuesday after the Second Sunday in September 1907, at 11 o'clock a. m. D. S. Lee to preach the Introductry Sermon, N. S. Hampton Alternate.

Respectfully submitted. C. C. Phillips, Wm. Beshears } Committee.

In compliance with the request of Middle Cane Church, a motion prevailed to print our Articles of Faith in the Minutes.

N. S. Hampton read report on Resolutions, which was adopted.

REPORT ON RESOLUTIONS.

Resoved, That The Stony Fork Baptist Association hold its Annual Session, in the future, Beginning on Tuesday after the Second Sunday in September of each and every year, at 11 o'clock A. M.

Resolved, That the thanks of this body are due and are hereby tendered to the Yellow Hill Church, and Brothers, Sisters and Friends in the community for entertaining us during this session.

Respectfully Submitted, N. S. Hampton, Elbert Greene, } Committee.

On motion, The 7th Article of the Abstracts of Principals was read

On motion, We do now adjourn, to meet at Time and Place appointed for the next Association. A touching talk by the Moderator, a short talk by the Clerk, and singing and prayer by Elder John Wm. Church, and a precious old-fashioned hand-shaking closed the 45th session of the Stony Fork Baptist Association.

Wm. M. Lee, Clerk.

Thos. L. Day, Moderator.

After an intermission and dinner, singing was led by David S. Lee. James E. Greene, read First Chapter of Hebrews and led in prayer. G. W. Greene preached from Col. 1: 12, 13, 14. At the close of the sermon, several gave their hands for prayer. W. S. Greene led the closing prayer. Clerk.

Statistical Table No. 1.

Churches.	Ordained Ministers.	Licentiates.	Pastors.	Clerks.	Post Offices.	Church Days.	Received by baptism.	Received by Letter	Restored.	Dismissed by Letter.	Excluded.	Deceased.	Total Membership.	Minute Fund.	Mission Fund.	Orphanage.	Paid Pastor.
Boone's Fork,			E. M. Gragg,	J. F. Church	Fosco, N. C.	2	3		2			1	50	$ 50	$15.20		$7.45
Doe Ridge,	1		Edmond Greene	T. S. M Greene	Hagaman, N. C.	4	6	3		12	1		35	75			
Elk,			N. S. Hampton	F. L. Dula	Elkville, N. C.	3							14	80			
			D. M. Wheeler														
Laurel Fork,				L. P. Hodges	Blowing Rock,	4		1		10	6	1	70	95	12.00		
Mt. Vernon,			J. M. Payne	Thos. L. Day	Blowing Rock,	1	23	6	1	2		3	187	1.50	18.50	4.13	46
Mt. Ephraim,	2		J. E. Greene	N. S. Hampton	Bamboo, N. C.	2	3			3	1	2	64	1.00			7.55
Mt. Paran,		2	W. N. Church	Allen Watson	Stony Fork, N. C.	1	1	1		2			30	50		1.00	
Middle Cane,	1		J. E. Greene	J. R. Hodges	Middle Cane, N. C.	3	2	8					25	50		1.75	
New Hopewell,			R. S. Hays	Elcana Gragg	Gragg, N. C.					3	1	2	85	1 30			
New River,		1	P. H. Haire	J. S. Brown	River Side, N. C.	1	6	3		2		1	52	55	7.09	2.03	17.66
Poplar Grove,																	
Stony Fork,		3	Wm. M. Lee	R. L. Wagner	Stony Fork, N. C.	2	31	2	1	9	3	4	174	1.55	34.67	5.75	39.45
Watauga,	1		E. M. Gragg	W. R. Gragg	Grand Father, "	3	10	1	1		2		89	1.00			
Yellow Hill,	4	1	Wm. M. Lee	H. L. Church	Summit, N. C.	3	20	3	4	1		1	141	1.71	30.00	5.00	18.38

Statistical Table No. 2.

Sunday Schools.	Superintendents.	Secretaries	Number Enrolled.	Average Attendance.	Expenses.	Contributions for Orphanage.	Contributions for Missions.
Boone's Fork,							
Doe Ridge,	W. B. Culler,	A. E. Brown,		25	.85		
Elk,	(No Report)						
Laurel Fork,	L. P. Hodges,	Edgar Storie,	70	42			
Mt. Vernon,	J. W. Harrison,	Miss Maggie Cottrell,	79	40			
Mt. Ephraim,	N. G. Wheeler,	J. W. Hays,	Had a good school, No Statistics given.				
Middle Cane,	Wm. Minton,	John R. Hodges,	Had a good school, No Statistics given.				
New River,	B. F. Wilcox,	G. G. Wilcox,	48		1.00		
Poplar Grove,							
Stony Fork,	R. L. Wagner,	W. L. Hendrix,	130	73⅜	1.65	.86	
Watauga,	W. R. Gragg,			30	4.00		
Yellow Hill,	H. H. Church,	Mrs. S. J. Church,		67	6.50		

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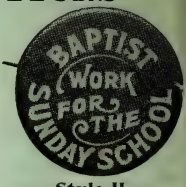

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE ASSOCIATION.

1st. The Stony Fork Baptiat Association met in its 46th annual session with New River church, on September 10th 1907. Singing was led by D. S. Lee, J. F. Davis, read the last chapter of Luke and D. S. Lee led in prayer,

2nd. At the request of D. S. Lee, who was appointed last year to preach the Introductory Sermon, J. F. Davis preached an able sermon from Rom. 10: 14.15. "How then shall they call on him in whom they have not belived ? and how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard ? and how shall they hear without a preacher ? and how shall they preach except they be sent ? David Greene led in prayer, and after the singing of the Old Battle Hymn, adjourned for 30 minutes.

3rd. After intermission, the Moderator of last year called the association to order. Singing was led by D. S. Lee, and John Crisp led in prayer.

4th. The delegates handed in letters from the churches represented. D. S.Lee, and J. F. Davis read the letters.

5th. proceeded to the election of Officers by Oppointing I. C. Miller and David Green Tellers, who reported Thos. L. Day, Moderator, and Wm. M. Lee Clerk.

6th. Invited correspondents and visitors to seats: Elders John Crisp, and David Green Correspondents, and Elder Asa Brown, J. F. Davis, G W. Greene, C. R. Norris and W H. McGuire, from Three Forks; Elder P. H. Haire, visitor from Ashe county; Elder I. C. Miller, visitor from Caldwell county; and Elder Edmond Greene, visitor from Stony Fork association, accepted seats.

7th. Extended invitation to churches wishing to join this association, none present. 8th. The Moderator and Clerk were empowered to make all temporary appointments during this session of the association, and they announced the following: On Devotional Exercises, J. F. Church, John W. Hendrix, with the Delegats of New River Church. On order of Business, J. F. Church, D. S Lee, J. F. Davis, David Greene, John Crisp, I. C. Miller, and Asa Brown, with all other visitors. On Resolutions, J W. Harrison, B F Wilcox, P. H Haire. On Sunday Schools, W. S. Church, R. L. Wagner, C. R Norris, D. L. H. Layel. On Orphanage, W. S. Greene, J. S. Greene, G. W. Gragg, Asa Brown. On Education, J. F. Davis, I. C. Miller, Edmond Greene. On Temperance, D. L H. Layell, Burton Greene, C. R. Norris. On State Missions, I. C. Miller, J. F. Davis. On Home Missions, Asa Brown, W. H, McGuire. On Foeign Missions, P. H. Haire, David Greene, J. D. Harrison. On Periodicals, John Crisp, W. H. McGuire, C, C. Phillips. D. S. Lee, B. B. Church. On Correspondence, D. S. Lee, J. S. Brown, B. B. church. On Finance, R. L. Wagner, A. B. Greene, W. H. Miller. W. S church, E. R. Norris. On the State of Churches, B F. Wilcox, J, F. davis, P. H Haire, G. W. Gragg. On Pastoral Support, J. S. Brown, R. L. Wagner, David Greene. On Place and preachers, Thomas Miller, David Layell, J. F. Church. On Requests and Queries, Wm. M. Lee, John Crisp, E R Norris, I. C.Miller, J F Davis.

9th Committee on Devotional Exercises, Reported David Greene to preach Wednesday at 11, O'clock a m J E Greene to open the Service, and I C Miller, to preach at 2, O'clock, p m W S Greene to open the Service, B F Wilcox, Chai man. 10th On motion adjourned to meet Wednesday, at 9, O'clock a m, and spend one half hour in Devotional Exercises, to be conducted by David Lee I C Miller conducted the closing exercises by singing and Benediction.

Met acording to adjournment and spent one half hour in prayer service conducted by D. S. Lee, by reading the 4th chapter of John and prayer led by R. L. Wagner and J. F. Church. The Moderator then called the association to order,

11. On Motion, any member present from any church belonging to this association, which is not represented by a legal number of Delegates, is recognized as

delegate from such church. 12. Called the Roll and marked absentees. 13. Report on Order of Business was read and adopted. 14. Read Minutes of yesterday which were corrected and adopted. 15. Read Rules of Decorum and Articles of Faith. 16. Extended Invitation to Correspondents and visitors Elder Wm. Wilcoxen's name was enrolled as a Correspondent from the Three Forks association. 17. The Report on Temperance was read by C. R. Norris and spoken to by C. R, Norris and D. S. Lee, and adopted.

TEMPERANCE REPORT

It is very gratifyind to note the growth in Temperance, and temperance conviction. We surely are building, on the foundation laid by heoric pioneers who braved many hardships and much ridicule in order to set in motion this mighty wave of temperance conviction, that we hope and believe will soon carry the mighty hosts within its wonderful power. We should be for temperance because: 1st. We believe it is best for the public. 2nd. We believe the millions of dollars spent each year spent for intoxicants should go to providing more comfortable homes and better training for the millions of bright boys and girls within our borders. 3rd. We believe the women, boys and girls suffer, not because of their participation, but through the fault of those who drink. 4th. We should not favor temperance because of Religion and preacher, but for men,—good men and women—for God, home and native land. Respectfully submiitted, W. B Greene, D. L. H. Layell, C. R. Forris. Committee.

18. On motion limited the the opening speech on the different subjects to 10 minutes and all other speeches to 5 minutes. 19. The Report on Orphanage was read by G. W. Gragg, and after explanatory remarks, was adopted, and the association adjourned for 45 minutes.

After intermission, the association was called to order and Asa Brown made a touching speech to the Orphanage Report, and pledges were taken to the amount of $26,50 as follows: Boone's Fork, $5,00, Doe Ridge, $1,00, Mt. Vernon, $5,00, New River, $2,50, Poplar Grove, $300, Stony Fork, $5,00, Yellow Hill, $5,00.

ORPHANAGE REPORT

We advise that the Deacons of each church, take a collection quarterly for the Orphanage, and also that the Sunday Schools take a collection once a month for the benefit of the Orphanage. Respectfully Submitted G. W. Gragg, James E. Greene, W. S. Greene, Asa Brown, Committee.

20. Report on State Missions was read by J. F. Davis, and spoken to by J. F. Davis, P. H. Haire, and D. S. Lee, and adopted.

The Delegates from Mt. Vernon, pledged $3,00, and the Delegates from Yellow Hill, pledged, $1,00, total $4.00.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS

By State Missions we mean missions in our own beloved State. We may divide the work into three parts: 1st. Eastern Carolina: Here there is great destitution. In perhaps twenty counties along our eastern border there is only one Baptist church in in a hundred square miles, and sometimes one Missionary to two or three counties. 2nd. The middle section or Piedmont North Carolina: The work here consists mainly in cultivating the towns, cotton mills; and the manufacturing towns; many of which are new. While the churches of this section are doing all they can to evangelize these people, many of which go from the country; yet they cannot do all that is absolutely necessary to be done if the field is to be held by the Baptist. 3 d. The mountain section: While the mountain section of our State is dotted over with churches yet in many instances the churches are undeveloped. The State Mission Board is making an effort to develop this section so the 60,000 or 70,000 Baptist may become a great power in the upbuilding of the Master's Kingdom, not only in North Carolina, but in all the world. Shall we not do our part in this great work? Respectfully submitted J. F. Davis, I. C. Miller, Committee.

21. Report on Home Missions was read by W. H McGuire, and spoken to by Asa Brown, and adopted.

HOME MISSION REPORT.

The field of Home Missions is a great opportunity and responsibility to the Baptist of this South land. Much has already been accomplished in this field by which we should be much encouraged. The South is filling up by the emigration of many nationalities who need the gospel in its purity, besides many nations, especially in Cuba and Porto Rico, which by their lately acquired relationship with us, demand the attention of every Baptist in the South, to speedily give them the gospel to break the Shackles of heathenism and false religions, and win them to the Kingdom of God, we urge all our people to aid in this great work by their money and their prayers until every soul shall be won to Jesus Christ. Respectfully submitted Asa Brown, W. H. McGuire, Committee.

22. The Report on Foreign Missions was read by P. H.Haire and spoken to by David Greene, David Lee, J. F. Davis, and adopted.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS

The Foreign Mission work is a great Work, christ gave the commission to the church, years ago "Go ye," and I will be with you unto the end. That commission was binding upon the church then, and it is so to day. The church of Christ, is responsible for their work, it is the God-given work, and no one has the right to step between the church and the field. The reports from our Missionaries are encouraging. We your committee do insist that that the prayers of this association get this great work upon their hearts, and inform the churches, that we may unite in carrying out this great commission, that the light of the gospel of Christ may be scattered over the world. Respectfully submitted.

P. H. Haire, J. D. Harrison, David Greene, Committee.

23. The Committee on Devotional Exercises reported Elder Wm. Wilcox to preach Thursday at 10. O'clock, a. m. and Elder John Crisp to follow, and that C. R. Norris preach at 3.O'clock, p. m. Respectfully submitted, B. F. Wilcox, Chairman. 24. Report on Education was read by J. F. Davis, and spoken to by J. F. Davis and adopted.

REPORT ON EDUCATION

By education we mean the training of our people Morally, Physically, and Intellectually, so that the greatest good may come to them, their country and their God. In order to do this; it becomes our duty to send our children to the free schools: To the Appalachian Training school at Boone, and as much as possible to such other High schools and Colleges, as may be within ou reach. Especially ought Baptist to send their sons to Wake Forest College, and their daughters to the Baptist University for women, or to the school for girls at Oxford or Murfreesboro. J. F. Davis, Edmond Greene, I. C. Miller, Committee.

25th Suspended the Order of Business, and taken up the report on place and preacher for next year, which was adopted.

REPORT ON PLACE AND PREACHER

We appoint the next association to be held with the Middle Cane church, on Tuesday after the 2nd. Sunday in September 1908, at 11, O'clock, a. m. Wm. M. Lee, to preach the Introductory Sermon, James E. Greene, alternate. Respectfully submitted J. F. Church, Chairman.

26, Adjournment to meet Thursday, 9, O'clock, a. m. and spend one half hour in prayer service, conducted by John Crisp, J. F. Davis conducted the closing exercises by singing and benediction.

THIRD DAY, SEPTEMBER 12th, 1907.

27. The association met acording to acjournment and spent 30 minutes in Devotional service conducteb by John Crisp, by reading the 116th Psalm, and leading in prayer, after which Wm. Wilcoxen led in prayer, and the Moderator, then called the association to order. Elder Wm. Wilcoxen accepted a seat as correspondent from Three Forks association. 28th. The minutes of yesteday were read and adopted. 29. The report on Sunday Schools was read by C. R. Norris, and spoken to by C. R. Norris, J. F. Davis, I. C. Miller, B, F, Wilcox, Thomas Miller, and adopted.

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

The Sunday School is the teaching department of the church; and should be engaged in by every member of the church. Because 1st Of its blessings to the church in developing, strengthening, and upbuilding. 2nd. Because of itf evangelizing power. It is said that 29,000,000 members have been added to the churches of the United states in the last hundred years through the Sunday Schools. It is said that it the boys of our cities are not reached and saved before they are seventeen years old they drift away from Sunday School and church and perhaps are never reached. Ninety percent of the members has added to our churches come through the Sunday Schools, There are about 125,000 students enrolled in Baptist Sunday Schools of North Carolina. There are about 150 Sunday Schools in our State. 3rd. Because it is Scriptural. Deut. 6;6,7,8. Luke 4;16. we have the example of Christ. He went into the Synagogue on the Sabath day as his custom was and stood up for to read. Our CREED should be the SERMON ON THE MOUNT. Our practice, the twelfth of Romans. Our Spirit that of Christ, Our purpose, that of Service. Respectfully submitted, W. S. Church, R. L. Wagner, C. R. Norris, D. L. H. Layel. Committee.

30. The report on Periodicals was read by D, S. Lee, and spoken to by D. S, Lee. W. H. McGuire, J. F. Davis and adopted.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS

Your committee on Periodicals would advise the churches to read good Baptist Literature, such as the Biblical Recorder, North Carolina Baptist, Charity and Children, we would endorse heartly, and emphasize the hearty patronage of the Little Baptist published in the Three Forks association, and assist the Editor in making this paper a power in this mountain country for the Baptist cause, we recommend the use of Baptist Sunday School Helps and Literature, and advise all our Sunday Schools to Order their Literature from the Sunday School board of the Southern Baptist Convention Nashville, Tennessee, through the Baptist Book Store at Raleigh, North Carolina. We believe, that it is the duty of our Baptist people oo read the Old and New Testaments and teach the same to their children, and to utterly exclude the poisonous novels that are blighting the minds of so many children. but teach them to read such literature as will lead our children to Christ. Respectfully submitted John Crisp, W. H. McGuire, C. C. Phillips, D. S. Lee, B. F. Church, Committee.

31. Report on Pastoral Support was read by R. L. Wagner and spoken to by R. L. Wagner, J. F. Davis, Thomas Miller, I. C. Miller, and J. S. Brown and adopted.

REPORT ON PASTORAL SUPPORT

We believe the churches of the Stony Fork Baptist association have been too negleeful to-wards their pastors, we urge, that the churches try to help their paators, so they may study and inform themseves in their Bibles that they may be able to defend the Baptist doctrine, we find that the churches are increasing a small percent, but not what they could do. Respectfully submitted, J. S. Brown, R. L. Wagner, D. L. H. Layell; Committee.

32. The Moderator extended invitation to visitors, and J. F. Salmons, from Brier Creek association, accepted. 33. Report on Correspondence was read by D. S. Lee, and after remarks by D. S Lee and I. C. Miller, was adopted.

REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE.

Your Committee on Correspondence report the following association recognized, and appoint the following messengers to represent us in same: Brushy Mountain, Wm. M. Lee, H L. Church, Ashe Co. B. F. Wilcox, J. S. Brown. Alleghany and Grayson, D. S, Lee, W. S. Church. Stone Mountain, Wm. M Lee, W. S. Greene, Three Forks, W, E. Greene, Thos L. Day. Caldwell County, D. S. Lee, J F. Church. Mitchell County, B. B. Church, W. H. Calloway. Alexander County, Daniel Wheeler, Wm. Minton,. Baptist State Convention, Wm. M. Lee, R. L. Wagoner, Southern Baptist Convention, Thos. L. Day, W. H. Calloway. D. S. Lee, B. B. Church, J S. Brown. Committee.

34. Report on Finance was read by C. R. Norris, and adopted.

FINANCE REPORT

Received frem the churches as follows: For minutes $10.30. and for the Orpharage at Thomasville, $8.95. Maing a total received from the churches $19.25. Respectfully submitted R. L. Wagoner. W. H. Miller, C. R. Norris, Committee.

35. Taken collection for minutes, amounting to .75 cts. 36. Allowed the Clerk $4 00 for his service. 37. Treasure report was read by the Clerk and adopted.

TREASURES REPORT

Received from Finance committee, public collection and contributions as follows:

For minutes,	15.53	paid out forminutes and mailing	11.53
For Orphanage,	9.90	paid to Orphanage	9.90
For Missions, (T. L. B.)	5 00	paid to T L. Blalock.	5.00
Total received	30.43	paid ot Clerk,	4.00
		Total paid out	30.43.

Respectfully Wm. M. Lee, Clerk and Treasurer.

38. Report on State of Churches was read by G. W. Gragg and adopted.

REPORT ON THE STATE OF THE CHURCHES

Seven churches report baptisms, 20, five churches report no baptisms, five churches report, received by letter 12, seven churches received by letter none, one church report by restoration 2, eleven churches report none by restoration, three report exclusion, 3, nine churches report no exclusions, six churches report lost by death 7, five churches report dismissed by letter 18, seven, report none dismissed by lettr. total membership in this year in 12 churches this year 963, thirteen churches reported last year 1014. members, not counting the church, not reprepresented, we note a loss over last year of 51, paid by association for Baptist Orphanage, 15.21, six churches report nothing for Orphanage, seven churches repor for pastors salary 161.67, five churches report nothing for pastors salary, four churches repot for missions, 20 86 eight churches report nothing for missions, eight churches report Sunday Schools with an enrollment of 487. Respectfully submitted B. F. Wilcox, J. F. Davis, G. W. Gragg, Committee.

39. The report of executive committee and missionary was read by D. S. Lee, and spoken to by D. S. Lee, and adoped.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND MISSIONARY

Received of the association as follows: Mt. Vernor Church, 5.40 Stony Fork Church 3 17 Wm. M. Lee, 75cts Poplar Grove Church, 1.50. Total from churches, 10.42. Received from the State Board 25 00. making grand total of 35.42. D. S. Lee, Missionary.

40. The Committee on Reuests and Queries, report that they do not find any thing worthy of notice to report. The report was adopted.

41. Corresponding messengers, who were appointed last year to visit association, report satisfactorly. 42. The Report on Resolutions was read and adopt'd. 42. The Report on Resolutions was read and adopted.

REPORT ON RESOLUTIONS

Resolved; that the members of the Stony Fork Baptist Association do hereby tender our thanks to the brethren, sisters, and friends, of New River Church, and community for their kind hospitality shown us during the sitting of this session of the association. J W Harrison, B. E. Wilcox, Committee.

43. Taken up a collection in the association for Leroy Triplett a helpless invalid, amounting to $2.90. On motion adjourned to meet at time and place appointed, 44. The closing exercises were conducted by J. F. Davis, by reading the 67 Psalm, and leading in prayer. This adjourned the 46 Session of the Stony Fork Baptist Association. Wm. M. Lee. Clerk and Treas. Thos. L. Day, Mod.

CHURHES	PASTORS	CLERKS	POST-OFFICE.		
Boones Fork,	C. S. Farthing,	A. H. Dula,	Foscoe,	N.	C.
Doe Ridge,	Edmond Greene,	Tipton S. M. Greene,	Vilas,	N.	C.
Elk,	W. N. Church,	F. L. Dula,	Elkville,	N.	C.
Laurel Fork,	J. M. Payne.	L. P. Hodges,	Blowing Rock,	N.	C.
Mt. Vernon,	J. M. Payne,	Thos. L. Day,	"		"
Mt. Ephraim,					
Mt. Paran,	W. N. Church,	Allen Watson,	Stony Fork,	N.	C.
Middle Cane,	J. E. Greene,	John R. Hodges,	Middle Cane,	N.	C.
New Hopewell					
New River,	P. H. Haire,	J. S. Brown,	River Side,	N.	C.
Paplar Geove,	C. S. Farthing,	Z. T. Greene,	Boone,	N.	C.
Stony Fork,	Wm. M. Lee,	R. L. Wagoner,	Stony Fork,	N.	C.
Watauga,	Edmond Greene,	W. R. Gragg,	Grand Father,	N.	C.
Yellow Hill,	Wm. M. Lee,	H. L. Church,	Summit,	N.	C.

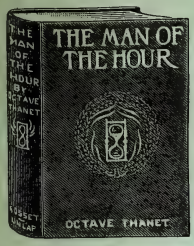
STATISTICAL TABLE OF SUNDAY SCHOOLS

Churches.	Superintends.	Secretaries.	No. En.	Av. Atts.	School Exp.
Boone's Fork.	J. F. Church,	A. H. Dula,		40	$ cts.
Laurel Fork,	Miss Lonie Storie,	L. P. Hodges,	53		
Mt. Vernon.	J. W. Harrison,	Fannie Cook,	125	64	3.75
New River,	J. S. Brown,	G. G. Wilcox,	(A good school)		
Poplar Grove,	Z. T. Greene,		(A good school)		
Stony Fork,	R. L. Wagner,	W. L. Hendrix,	109	62	1.60
Watauga,	J. M. Gragg,	J. M. Porch,	70	40	3.00
Yellow Hill,	H. H. Church,	Mrs. W. S. Church,		90	6.80

Stony Fork Church paid $10 for a Bell.

CHURCHES	DELEGATES	Ordained Ministers	Licentiates	Meetings	Baptisms	Letter Restored	Dis. Let. Excluded	Increased Membership	Minute Fund	Mission Fund	Orp'anage
Boone Fork	J. F. Church, B. B. Church.			2			1	1 48	.50		1.00
Doe Ridge	A. B. Greene. Edmond Greene.	1		4	1			38	50		
Laurel Fork	Jessie Harrison.			1			3 1	1 65	$1		.45
Mt. Vernon	G. W. Gragg. J. W. Harrison, L. Day			1	8	4	4 1	190	$1.65	$13.45	5.60
Mt. Ephraim t. Paron	Thomas Miller		2	1			1	28	.50		
Elk	(Letter but no delegates)			2	1	2		17	.90		1.00
Middle Cane	J. E. Greene, J. W. Harrison, Wm. Hodges	1		3	1	2		24	.75		1.00
New Hop'ell	(Not represented)										
New River	B. F. Wilcox, C. C. Phillips, J. S. Brown	1		1	1	3	1	1 54	.45	$5.21	2.01
Po'lar Grove	D. L. H. Layell, W. B. Greene		1	4	4	2		93	$1.00	$1.50	
Stony Fork	R. L. Wagoner, W. S. Greene, W. H. Miller		3	2	4	1	4	2 179	$1.50	$5.78	5.20
Watauga	(Letter but no delegates)	1		3				89			
Yello Hill	Wm. M. Lee, W. S. Church	4	1	3		2	6	1 138	$1.55		5.50
Total: 14	22	10	7	20		122	193	7 963	10.30	$25.94	21 . .

PASTORS SALARY: Boone's Fork $20. Mt. Vernon $60. Middle Cane $6.00; New River $18.55
Poplar Grove $15.00; Stony Fork $30.62; Yellow Hill $11.50. Total: $161.67.



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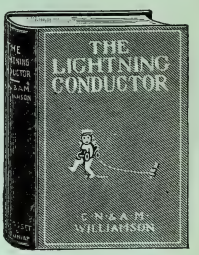

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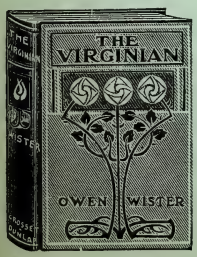

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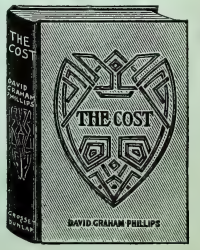

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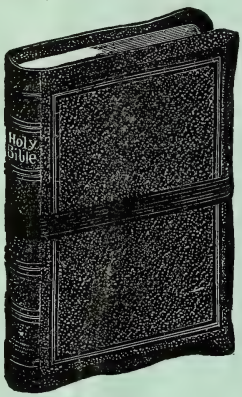

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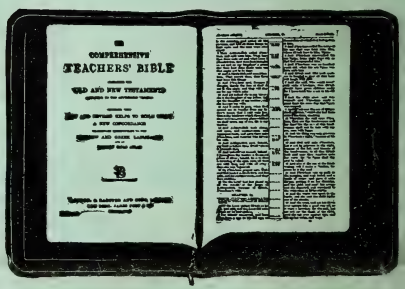

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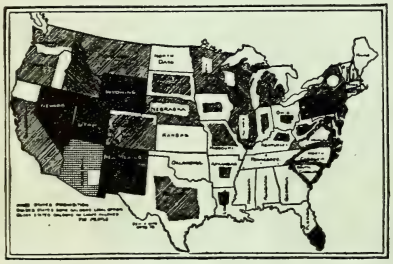

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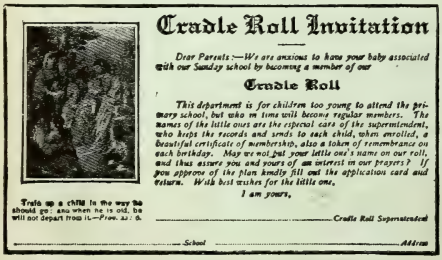
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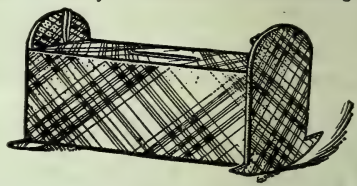

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ROLL OF DELEGATES:

Boone's Fork, A H Dula, James F Church, J C Church.
Doe Ridge, (Not represented)
Elk, (Represented by letter.)
Laurel Fork, Calvin Storie.
Mt. Vernon, J W Harrison, A L Harrison.
Mt. Ephraim, D M Wheeler, Albert Greer, N S Hampton.
Mt. Paran, Smith Watson, Samuel Greene, T C Miller.
Middle Cane, John W Hendrix, Wm Minton, Leroy Minton.
New Hopewell, (Not represented.)
New River, B F Wilcox.
Poplar Grove, (Represented by letter.)
Stony Fork, W S Greene, I S Watson.
Watauga, (Represented by letter.)
Yellow Hill, Wm M Lee.

Minutes of the Association.

The Stony Fork Baptist Association met with the Church at Middle Cane in its 47th annual session on Tuesday, Sept. 15, 1908.

After singing by the congregation, Elder James E. Greene read the 86th Psalm, and Elder V. M. Carter led in prayer. By request of the Clerk of last year Elder I.C.Miller preached the Introductory sermon from Acts 4 : 34.

After Intermission, the moderator of last year being absent, the Clerk of last year called the Association to order. Bro. James F. Church was called to act as moderator, pro tem. I.C.Miller led in prayer.

Letters were handed in from the churches represented. Elder D. S. Lee and B.F. Wilcox read the letters.

Proceeded to the election of officers. Elder I.C.Miller, and V.M. Carter acted as tellers, who reported James F. Church moderator, and Wm. M.Lee Clerk.

Invited correspondents and visitors: V.M.Carter from South Yadkin, and I.C.Miller and D.S. Lee from Caldwell County Association, accepted seats as visitors.

Extended an invitation to churches wishing to join this association. None present.

On motion, the moderator and clerk were empowered to appoint all committees, and the following were announced, viz:

On Devotional Exercises: The Pastor and delegates of Middle Cane church.

On Order of Business: W.S. Greene, N.S.Hampton, R.L.Wagner Moderator and Clerk, and Visitors.

On Resolutions: J.W.Harrison, A.H.Dula.

Sunday-school: R.L.Wagner, B.F.Wilcox, D.S.Lee.

On Orphanage: J.E.Greene, D.M.Wheeler, I.S.Watson.

On Education: B.F.Wilcox, J.W.Harrison.

On Temperance: W.S.Greene, V.M.Carter, Wm.M.Lee.

On State Missions: D.M.Wheeler, I C.Miller, J.C.Church.

On Home Missions: John W.Hendrix, S.L.Greene, Wm.Minton.

On Foreign Missions: I.C.Miller, Wm.M. Lee, V.M.Carter.

On Periodicals: D.S.Lee, W.C.Storie, A. L.Harrison.

On Correspondence: N.S. Hampton, R.L.Wagner, Albert Greer, Smith Watson.

On Finance: R.L.Wagner, B.F.Wilcox, A.H.Dula.

On The State of the Churches: J.W.Harrison,B.F.Wilcox, I.S. Watson.

On Pastoral Support: J.W.Harrison, I.S.Watson, J.F. Church, Roby Greene.

On Place aud Preacher: N.S.Hampton, D.M.wheeler.

On motion, appointed I.S.Watson, J.F.Church, Thos.L. Day to serve as Executive Committee.

Committee on Devotional Exercises report D.S.Lee, to preach Wednesday at 11 O'clock, A.M. W.S.Greene to open the services, and V.M.Carter to preach at 2 O'clock P.M., B.F.Wilcox to open the services.

On motion, adjourned to meet wednesday at 9 O'clock A.M. and spend one half hour in prayer service to be conducted by W.S.Green.

B F Wilcox closed the service by singiug, prayer, hand-shaking, and benediction.

SECOND DAY, WEDNESDAY SEPT. 16th 1908.

Wednesday 9 O'clock, A.M. Met according to adjournment. After singing, W S Green read 1st John 4th chapter, and prayers were led by D M Wheeler, J E Greene and Wm. M. Lee.

The Moderator called the association to order, called the roll and marked absentees.

Report on Order of Business was read and adopted.

Read minutes of yesterday, which were adopted.

Read Rules of Decorum and Articles of Faith.

Extended invitation to Correspondents and Visitors. None present

Report on State Missions was read by J C Church and adopted. See Table of Reports for all reports.

Report on Home Missions was read by D.S. Lee, and adopted.

Report on Foreign Missions was read by D.S. Lee, and adopted.

The reports on State, Home, and Foreign Missions were taken up together and spoken to by I C Miller and D S Lee.

The association adjourned for the 11 O'clock sermon. W. S. Greene opened the services, and D.S. Lee preached an instructive and touching sermon from John 11: 39.

Intermission one half hour, after which the moderator called the Association to order.

The Report on Temperance was read by Wm. M. Lee, and spoken to by V M Carter and I C Miller, and adopted.

The Report on Orphanage was read by D S Lee, and after remarks by D. S. Lee, Pledges were taken to the amount of $14.00, and the delegates pledged collections duriug the year, after which the report was adopted.

Report on Pastoral Support, was read by J W Harrison, and spoken to by J W Harrison, I C Miller, N S Hampton, and adopted.

Report on Education was read by B F Wilcox, and spoken to by B F Wilcox, D S Lee, and adopted.

The Sunday School Report was read by B.F. Wilcox, and after remarks by B F Wilcox, R L Wagner, J W Harrison, J W Hendrix J F Church, and D S Lee, was adopted.

On motion, Appointed Thos.L. Day, General Manager of the Sunday School work in the Stony Fork Baptist Association.

Committee on Devotional Exercises reported that Wm. M. Lee, preach Thursday at 11 O'clock A. M. N S Hampton to open the service. D M Wheeler and B F Wilcox preach at 2 O'clock P.M. J.E Greene to open the service.

On motion, adjourned to meet Thursday at 9 O'clock A.M. and spend one half hour in prayer service, conducted by the Moderator.

The closing exercises were conducted by N.S.Hampton, leading in prayer and benediction by J.E.Greene.

THIRD DAY, SEPT. 17th 1908.

The Association met according to adjournment, and spent 30 minutes in Devotional service conducted by the Moderator, by reading the 34th Psalm, and prayers led by R L Wagner and I S Watson. After singing the Moderator called the Association to order.

Read minutes of yesterday which were adopted.

Report on Periodicals was read by D S Lee, and spoken to by D. S. Lee, N S Hampton, W S Greene, J F Church, and adopted.

Report on Correspondence was read by R. L. Wagner and adopted.

Report on Finance was read by B F. Wilcox, and after many remarks, was adopted.

Treasurer's Report was read by the Clerk, and adopted.

On motion, appointed the Clerk Treasurer, and to superintend the printing and distribution of the Minutes, and to have as many copies printed as the money will pay for.

On motion, allowed the Clerk $4.00 for his services.

On motion, the Obituary of sister Emma Wilcox, wife of B. F. Wilcox, be published in these minutes, and also, that the Clerk publish any Obituaries of our members who lived consecrated lives

Report on State of the Churches was read by B. F. Wilcox, and and spoken to by R. L. Wagner and B. F. Wilcox, and adopted.

Report on Resolutions was read by A. H. Dula and adopted.

Report on Place and Preacher was read by N. S. Hampton, and spoken to by N. S. Hampton, R. L. Wagner, D S Lee and J. W. Hendrix and adopted.

The closing exercises were conducted by a touching and instructive talk by the Moderator, reading the Scripture and an exhortational talk by the Clerk, and a precious old-fashioned handshaking, prayer by the Moderator, Doxology, and benediction, closed one of the best, if not the best, session ever held by the Stony Fork Baptist Association.

JAMES F. CHURCH, Moderator.

WM. M. LEE, Clerk and Treasurer.

TABLE of REPORTS.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS

By State Missions, we mean the planting of Churches and the supplying the destitutions of North Carolina with preachers that our Baptist Cause may be known and held throughout the State. There are counties in Eastern North Carolina with an average of but one Baptist church to each county. Therefore we heartily recommend collections being taken by all our churches for the promotion of State Missions. We urge the hearty cooperation with the State Board. J. C. Church, Chm., D. M. Wheeler.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

By Home Missions we mean the spread of the Gospel within the United States and our recent possessions. There are many States in the Union where our Baptist cause is scarcely known. Foreigners are continuously coming into our beloved country, and as they come they must be christianized or we will be lowered as a Christian Nation. We advise all our churches to make pledges or take collections for the Home Mission cause. How shall we escape if we neglect so great salvation; which at the first began to be spoken by the Lord, and was confirmed unto us by them that heard him.—Heb. 2:3. Respectfully submitted·

S. L. Greene, Ch., John W. Hendrix, Wm. Minton, Committee.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Christ told his disciples that they shall be witnesses unto Him both in Jerusalem and in all Judea and in Samaria and unto the uttermost parts of the world. By Foreign Missions we mean the giving of the Gospel to the uttermost parts of the world. We advise our churches to pledge or take collections for this object as commanded by God's Word. Respectfully submitted,

V. M. Carter, Chairman.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

We advise all Christians to be temperate in all things. Temperance is not confined alone to the use of intoxicating drinks, but we can be intemperate in many ways besides the excessive use of intoxicating drinks. We heartily endorse the move against the liquor traffic in North Carolina on the 26th of May, 1908. which we believe to be the upbuilding of Church and Nation.

W.S.Greene, Ch., V.M.Carter, Wm.M.Lee.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE, AND PLEDGES

We advise all our churches to duly recognize the Thomasville Orphanage as a Baptist Institution worthy of our patronage and hearty co-operation. There are at present 370 orphan children depending on the Baptist churches for their support. We advise the churches of this association to make an effort to get in the Orphanage, all the orphan children in their bounds. Respectfully,

D.S.Lee, I.S.Watson, D.M.Wheeler, Committee.

PLEDGES TO ORPHANAGE:

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Laurel Fork,	" One collection.	
Mt. Vernon,	" One collection.	
Mt· Ephraim,	" One collection.	
Elk,	By L L Walsh,	1.00
Middle Cane,	By Wm Minton, 1 collection and	1.00
New River,		3.00
Stony Fork,	collections.	
Yellow Hill,		5.00

REPORT ON PASTORAL SUPPORT.

We believe the churches of the Stony Fork Baptist Association have been too neglectful towards their pastors. We urge that the churches try to help their pastors, so they may study and inform themselves in the Bible, that they may be able to defend the Baptist doctrine, and we insist that the churches increase their contributions to their pastors, and keep a record and report the same to the association. Respectfully submitted,

J.W.Harrison, I.S.Watson, J.F.Church, Committee.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

By Education, we mean, Moral, Spiritual, and Intellectual training. Parents of children are duty bound to take advantage of every opportunity to school their children. We recommend the Training School at Boone, as being a good, up-to-date school for beginners and the High Schools and Baptist Colleges of our State are worthy of our patronage for those who intend to complete an education. We as Baptists ought to be alive to the importance of educating our tender offspring that they may be qualified to fill places of importance for God and humanity. Submitted.

B.F.Wilcox, J.W.Harrison, Committee.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

The Sunday-school is the teaching service of the Church, in which both the young and the old should heartily co-operate for spiritual development and the study of the Word of God. The Sunday-school as an institution of God is to be carried on by his believing children for spiritual development and soul winning, and in this grand and noble work the seed sown will bring an abundant harvest of souls in the Judgement. Therefore every one interested in this grand cause should put forth his very best efforts for as much as we know that our labors are not in vain in the Lord. We advise all schools to be organized and run independent of other denominations as to officers and teachers. Submitted.

D.S.Lee, B.F.Wilcox, R.L.Wagner, Committee.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

Your committee on Periodicals would urge the necessity and importance of our Baptist people reading more of our Baptist Papers and Literature as essential to our progress and development. The present division among our Baptist people is due to our misunderstanding of each other, and to know more of each other is to love each other more, and where there is love there is union, and where there is union there is strength. We heartily recommend the Biblical Recorder, Charity & Children and the Foreign Mission Journal as necessary Periodicals in the promotion of our Baptist cause and progress.

D.S.Lee, W.C.Storie, A.L.Harrison, Committee.

REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE.

Your Committee appoints Corresponding Messengers as follows viz: To go to the Brushy Mountain, Wm.M.Lee, and W.S.Church, Ashe County, B. F. Wilcox and J. S. Brown. Alleghany & Gray-

son, J. W. Harrison and Thos. L. Day. Three Forks, J. F. Church and A. H. Dula. Caldwell County, Wm. Minton and D. M. Wheeler Baptist State Convention, Wm. M. Lee. Submitted,

N. S. Hampton, R. L. Wagner, Albert Greer, Smith Watson, Com.

REPORT ON FINANCE.

Received for Minutes,	$ 8.25.
Received for Orphanage,	8.50.
Received for State Missions,	1.00.
	$17.75.

We allowed the Clerk $ 4.00. Submitted.

B. F. Wilcox, A. H. Dula, R. L. Wagner, Committee.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Received from the association and Stony Fork Church:

Minute Fund,	$ 11.90
Orphanage Fund,	8.95
Grand Total received,	$ 20.85.

Paid for Minutes and Mailing,	$7.90.
Paid to Orphanage,	8.95.
Paid Clerk,	4.00.
Total paid out,	$20.85.

Respectfully,

Wm. M. Lee, Clerk & Treasurer.

REPORT ON STATE OF THE CHURCHES.

Your Committee finds that 5 churches report 30 by baptism, 5 churches report no baptisms. 5 report received by letter 13. 5 report none received by letter. 10 churches report no restorations. 2 churches report 3 exclusions, 8 churches report no exclusions. 4 churches report 4 deaths, 6 churches report no deaths. 7 churches report dismissed by letter 24 3 churches report dismissed none by letter. 10 churches report 824 membership. 12 churches last year 963 membership. 4 churches report for Orphanage $15.50. Six churches report nothing for Orphanage. 3 churches report $76.83 for pastors' support. 7 churches report nothing for pastors' salary 4 churches report $11.90 for Missions. 6 churches nothing for Missions. 5 churches report Sunday Schools with an enrollment of 319 5 churches report no Sunday schools. Respectfully,

J. W. Harrison, B. F. Wilcox. I. S. Watson, Committee.

2 letters were received after above report.

REPORT ON RESOLUTIONS.

RESOLVED, That this Association tender its thanks to the brethren, sisters, and friends of Middle Cane Church and community for their kind hospitality shown us during the sitting of this session of the Association.

J. W. Harrison, A. H. Dula, Committee.

REPORT ON PLACE AND PREACHER.

We appoint the next Association to be held with the church at Elk, 2 miles west of Elkville, Wilkes county, N. C., to begin on Tuesday after the Second Sunday in September, 1909 at 11 o'clock A.M., J. E. Greene to preach the Introductory sermon, B.F. Wilcox, alternane. Respectfully submitted.

N. S. Hampton, D. M. Wheeler, Committee.

Most of the churches pledged from one to four collections during the next year for Missions and Old Ministers' Aid.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TABLE.

CHURCH	SUPT.	SECRETARY	No. Enrolled	Av. attendence	S. S. Expenses.
Boone's Fork	A.H. Dula			40	.80
Mt. Vernon	J.W. Harrison	T.L. Critcher	100	75	5.00
Middle Cane	J. W. Hendrix	John R. Hodges		24	
New River	B.F. Wilcox	Beatrice Brown		45	
Poplar Grove	D.L.H. Layell	Savilla Layell			
Stony Fork	R.L. Wagner	W.L. Hendrix	110	76	3.90
Watauga	W.R. Gragg	J.M. Porch		35	3.00
Yellow Hill	A.G. Beshears	J.W. Church (School stopped last of July oweing to Diptheria)			

Statistical Table.

CHURCHES	Ordained Ministers	Licentiates	PASTORS	CLERKS	POST OFFICES		Church Days	Rec'd by Baptism	Rec' by Letter	Restored	Dismissed by Let	Excluded	Deceased	Total Membership	Minute Fund	Mission Fund	Orphanage	Paid Pastor
															$ cts	$ cts	$ cts	$ cts
Boone's Fork			Powell E. Herman	J. F. Gragg	Kelsey,	N.C.	2	00	0	0	0	0	0	48	.50			20.00
Doe Ridge	1		Not Represented.		Hagaman	"	4											
Elk			D. M. Wheeler & N. S. Hampton	F. L. Dula	Elkville	"	3		4				1	21	.50			
Laurel Fork				L. P. Hodges	Blowing Rock	"	1		2		1			69	.75			
Mt. Vernon			J. M. Payne	Thos. L. Day	Blowing Rock	"	1	4	1		6		1	187	1.55	3.25	2.50	40.00
Mt. Ephraim	2		W. N. Church	N. S. Hampton	Bamboo,	"	2	12			1			77	.65			20.00
Mt. Paran		2	W. N. Church	Allen Watson	Stony Fork	"	1				2			29	.50			
Middle Cane	1		J. E. Greene	Jno. R. Hodges	Middle Cane	"	3	1						26	.50			
New Hopewell				J. S. Brown	McGuire	"	1		1		2		1	52	.50	4.00	3 00	
New River	1		B. F. Wilcox	S. Hodges	Boone	"	4	2				2	1	93	1.00	4.25		
Poplar Grove		1	C. S. Farthing	R. L. Wagner	Stony Fork	"	2	12			4	1		182	1.85	3.65	5.00	24.50
*Stony Fork		3	Wm. M. Lee	W. R. Gragg	Grand Father	"	3	1					1	100	1.00			
Watauga	1		Powell E. Herman	H. L. Church	Summit	"	3	1	5		8	2	1	135	1.50	1.00	5.00	12.33
Yellow Hill	3	1	Wm. M. Lee															

*Stony Fork Church property $700. Paid on Church expenses past year $87.50. Paid sexton $1.10.

B. F. Wilcox paid 50 cts. on Minute Fund for publishing obituary.

OBITUARY.

Mrs. B. F. Wilcox of McGuire, N. C. died at her home on the night of April 24, 1908, after suffering a long time in almost complete helplessness. She was an invalid for more than eight years, bearing her afflictions with great patience and fortitude. She died at 31 years of age, leaving a husband and two little girls to mourn their loss; two infants having preceded her to the spirit land.

Sister Emma was a member of New River Baptist church and lived a devoted and consistent Christian life until the time of her death The funeral service was conducted Sunday the 27th by Eld. P.H. Haire of Fleetwood. Text: Isa. 40:31 "But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles." The sermon was very impressive, emphasizing the impor tance of waiting upon the Master, as we all will need strength while passing through the great ordeal of sorrow and death. It seems that Mrs. Wilcox, during her long illness, realized the worth of wife and mother in the home, but not being able to work with her hands she would advise her husband and little girls in the management of secular affairs. A short time before her death she sat up and sang, "Home, sweet home," then calmly passed away.

She's gone from this cold world of cares,
This world of woe and bitter tears;
And reached the realms of bliss we trust,
Henceforth to dwell among the just.

Then friends who loved her well while here,
Prepare to meet her over there;
Where friends no more will parted be,
But spend with Christ eternity.

Z. T. WATSON.

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PROCEEDINGS.

ELK CHURCH, Wilkes County, N. C.,
September 14th, 1909.

The Stony Fork Baptist Association met with the Elk Church in its 48th annual session, on Tuesday, September 14th, 1909.

After singing by the congregation, Elder I. C. Miller read the 34 th Psalm and preached the Introductory sermon from Mark 16: 15.

After an intermission of one hour, the Clerk of last year called the delegates to order by singing "How firm a foundation," and prayer, led by Elder N.S. Hampton. Bro. Thos. L. Day acted as Moderator, pro tem. The Delegates present handed in letters from the churches represented. N. S. Hampton and R. L. Maltba read the letters, and the names of delegates were enrolled as follows:

Boone's Fork— Represented by Letter.
Doe Ridge— T. B. Foster.
Elk— F L Dula, P A Foster, R P Dula.
Laurel Fork— H M Storie, J G Storie.
Mt. Vernon— Thos. L Day, G W Gragg.
Mt. Ephraim— N S Hampton, D M Wheeler.
Mt. Paran— Thomas Miller.
Middle Cane— Wm. Minton, John W Hendrix.
New Hopewell—
New River— (By Letter since association.)
Poplar Grove— R L Maltba.
Stony Fork— W H Miller, J D Cook.
Watauga—
Yellow Hill— Wm. M Lee.

Proceeded to the election of Officers. Elders I. C. Miller and W L. Greene served as tellers, who reported Thos. L. Day Moderator, and Wm. M. Lee, Clerk.

Invited Correspondents and visitors to seats. Elder I. C. Miller from Caldwell County; W. T. Fox, W. L. Greene, and Roby Green from Stony Fork associations accepted seats, as visitors.

Extended invitation to churches wishing to unite with this association,— there were none present.

On motion the Moderator and Clerk were empowered to appoint all necessary committees during the session, and they announced the following:

On Devotional Exercises, Pastor and Delegates of Elk Church.
On Order of Business, I C Miller, G W Gragg, N S Hampton, D M Wheeler, J G Storie, with the Moderatar and Clerk.
On Resolutions, J D Cook, G W Gragg, and Arney Foster.
On Sunday Schools, W H Miller, R L Maltba.
On Orphanage, N S Hampton, H M Storie, I C Miller
On Education, D M Wheeler, R L Maltba, P A Foster.
On Temperance, Thomas Miller, T B Foster, Roby Greene.
On State Missions, I C Miller, R P Dula, G W Gragg.
On Home Missions, N S Hampton, John W Hendrix, I C Miller.
On Foreign Missions, Wm M Lee, Thos L Day, J D Cook.
On Periodicals, N S Hampton, O L Hawkins.
On Correspondence, D M Wheeler, F L Dula, W H Miller.
On Finance, John W Hendrix, R L Maltba, H M Storie.
On State of the Churches, G W Gragg, R L Maltba, N S Hampton
On Pastoral Support, I C Miller, J G Storie, J D Cook.
On Place and Preacher, H M Storie, W H Miller, R L Maltba, G W Gragg.

Committee on Devotional Exercises report I. C. Miller to preach Wednesday at 11:30 o'clock, A.M. and M.D. Miller at 2 o'clock P M

On motion adjourned to meet Wednesday at 9 o'clock, A. M. and spend 30 minutes in prayer service to be conducted by D. M. Wheeler. Bro. Thos. Miller led in prayer and Wm. M. Lee announced the Benediction.

SECOND DAY, WEDNESDAY SEPT. 15 1909.

The Association met according to appointment and engaged in prayer service conducted by Elder D. M. Wheeler. Prayers Were led by Wm. M. Lee, W. L. Greene, Thos. L. Day.

The Moderator called the association to order.

Called the roll and marked absentees.

Report on Order of Business was read and adopted.

Minutes of yesterterday were read and adopted.

Read Rules of Decorum, aand Articles of Faith.

Extended an invitation to Correspondents and visitors. J. Tice Wagner and M. D. Miller, from the Stony Fork Baptist association accepted seats.

Report on State Missions was read by G. W. Gragg, and adopted. See Table of Reports, for all reports.

Report on Home Missions was read by N.S. Hampton. Adopted.

Report on Foreign Missions was read by the Mod. and adopted.

On motion, State, Home, and Foreign Missions were taken up to gether and spoken to by I.C. Miller, N.S. Hampton, and G.W. Gragg

O.L. Hawkins, from Caldwell Co., and J.W. West, from Brushy Mountain associations, came forward and accepted seats.

On motion adjourned for preaching. Bro. O.L. Hawkins led in prayer and I.C. Miller preached from Rom. 8:6.

At 1:45 o'clock, P.M., the Moderator called the Asso. to order.

Report on Temperance was read by the Clerk, and after remarks by Thomas Miller and others, was adopted.

Report on Orphanage was read by N. S. Hampton, and spoken to by J. Tice Wagner and others, and adopted. A collection was taken for the Orphanage, amounting to $2.85, and pledges were taken, amounting to $22.50.

Committee on Devotional Exercises reported Wm. M. Lee and O. L. Hawkins to preach Thursday at 11:30 o'clock A.M., and N. S. Hampton and I. C. Miller to preach at 2 o'clock, P. M

The Committee on Pastoral Support combined their report with the report of the Executive Committee, and it was spoken to by Thos. L. Day and others and adopted, and the Ex. Com. continued

Adjourned to meet Thursday at 9 o'clock A. M. and spend one-half hour in prayer service conducted by O. L. Hawkins.

After singing, benediction was announced by D. M. Wheeler.

THIRD DAY, SEPT. 16, 1909.

Met according to adjournment, and spent one half hour in prayer services conducted by Rev. O. L. Hawkins, by reading 22nd chap. of Rev. and leading in prayer.

The association was called to order by the Moderator.

Extended invitation to Correspondents and visitors; Elder W.R. Bradshaw, representing State Missions, and L. L. Horton, from Caldwell County association, accepted seats.

Report on Education was read by R.L.Maltba, and spoken to by R L Maltba, W R Bradshaw, and others, and adopted.

Report on Sunday Schools was read by R L Maltba, and spoken to by Thos. L. Day and others, and adopted.

On motion, Thos. L. Day and G. W. Gragg were appointed to serve as General Managers of the S. S. work of the Association.

Report on Periodicals was read by N S Hampton, and spoken to by W R Bradshaw, andl C Miller, and adopted.

Treasurer's Report was read by the Clerk, and adopted.

On motion appointed the Clerk Treasurer, and to superintend the printing and distribution of these minutes, and to have as many printed as the money will pay for.

Report on Finance was read by R.L. Maltba, and adopted.

Report on the State of the Churches was read by N.S. Hampton, and adopted.

Report on Resolutions was read by G.W. Gragg, and adopted.

Report on Place and Preacher was read by H. M. Storie, and on motion, changed the time for the meeting of the Association, from Tuesday after the Second Sunday in September, to Tuesday after the Fourth Sunday in September, and the report was adopted.

Report on Correspondence was read by D.M. Wheeler, and adopted.

A motion prevailed that Evangslist W. R. Bradshaw preach, or speak, on State missions, who delivered an impressive address, after which a collection was taken for State Missions, amounting to $2.65. Elders N. S. Hampton and D. M. Wheeler voluntarily agree to visit New Hopewell church during the year.

On motion the association adjourned to meet at time and place appointed. After singing, an old-fashioned hand-shaking, led by Elder I. C. Miller, Elder W.R. Bradshaw led in benedictory prayer, which closed the 48th annual session of the Stony Fork Baptist Association.

WM. M. LEE,
Clerk and Treasurer.

THOS. L. DAY,
Moderator.

TABLE OF REPORTS

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

The more we know of State Missions and its needs, the more we are convinced of its importance. Through the medium of this department of our work, destitute parts of the state have been made to blossom as the rose. Through this agency, in a great measure, North Carolina has been advancing, step by step, and round by round, until she has taken her place among the States as a great Baptist common wealth. From a ltte hand-full, they have grown to more than 205,000 strong. From victory to victory, have they gone forth to their work, bearing the message of eternal love to the lost. State Missions in its primary import, can only mean the giving of the gospel to the lost of the state. The command to "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature," should bring conviction to all of our hearts in a special sense, in reference to the destitute parts of our lovely land. While the Baptists, under God, have done great things for the state in the salvation of thousands of lost souls, and in the establishment of hundreds of churches, and in a development that has been marvelous indeed, there still remains much that must be done, and done quickly, if the Baptists shall carry out the commission that God has given them. And while we believe in enlargement, and in development, we do feel that the first and great command is to preach the gospel to the destitute sections of North Carolina. Sooner or later, those destitute fields will be occupied by others if we do not hasten to our duty. We would call attention to the vastness of the destitution, yet, of the State of N. Carolina, notwithstanding our achievements. And to the end that every destitute section of the state shall have the g o s p e l, let the Baptists enlarge their vision, open their hearts, and lay their hands to their work, that the State may be saved to God and His glory.

Respectfully,

I. C. Miller, G. W. Gragg, F. L. Dula, Committee.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

By Home Missions, we mean the spread of the gospel within the United States, and our recent possessions. There are many States in the Union where our Baptist cause is scarcely known. Foreigners are continually coming into our beloved country, and as they come, they must be christianized or we will be lowered as a christian Nation. We advise all our churches to give freely and encourage Home Missions that the cause of Christ may be promoted to a higher standard in our beloved Union. How shall we escape if we neglect so great salvation: which at the first began to be spoken by the Lord and was confirmed unto us by them that heard him. Hebr. 2:3.

Respectfully,

N.S. Hampton, I.C. Miller, John W. Hendrix, Com.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Christ commanded his disciples to be witnesses unto him, both in Jerusalem and in all Judea and in Samaria and unto the uttermost

parts of the world. Now by Foreign Missions we mean giving of the Gospel to the uttermost parts of the world. We advise our churches to do all in their power to send the Gospel as commanded in the Word of God.

Respectfully submitted.

Wm. M. Lee, Thos. L. Day, J. D. Cook, Committee.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

We advise all Christians to be temperate in all things. Temperance is not confined alone to the use of intoxicating drinks but we can be intemperate in many ways besides the use of strong drinks. We hope that all christians will be temperate in all things.

Thomas Miller, Roby Greene, T. B. Foster. Com.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE, AND PLEDGES.

We advise all our churches to duly recognize the Thomasville Orphanage as a Baptist Institution worthy of our patronage and hearty co-operation. There are at present, about 400 orphan children in said orphanage, depending on the Baptist churches for their support. We advise the churches of this association to give more to this worthy institution, and make an effort to get into the Orphanage, all the orphan children in their bounds.

Respectfully,

N. S. Hampton, H. M. Storie, I. C. Miller, Com.

PLEDGES TO ORPHANAGE

Doe Ridge $1.00, Laurel Fork $2.00, Mt. Vernon $5.00, Mt. Ephraim $1.00, Mt. Paran $1.00, Middle Cane $1.50, Poplar Grove $1.00, Stony Fork, by J. D. Cook, and W. H. Miller, $1.00, and by J. Tise Wagner $4.00, making $5.00 in all for Stony Fork, Yellow Hill, by Wm. M. Lee $5.00. Total, $22.50.

COMBINED REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, AND COMMITTEE ON PASTORAL SUPPORT.

Dear Brethren:— Your committee begs to make report as follows, viz: After considering the situation of territory in the bounds of the Association, and that the people living in said bounds would not have to travel more than from 3 to 4 miles to reach a church, and that all, or nearly all the churches, are supplied with Pastors, we did not put a travelling missionary in the field: considering that if the churches would contribute of their means a sufficient amount to enable their pastors to do the work of a pastor, that all the churches would be supplied, and all the people in the bounds of this association would be reached. Looking forward to the time when all our pastors and churches may become more active, and Spiritually zealous in the blessed Gospel work of the Church, for the salvation of our dear people, at home, and even to the uttermost parts of the earth, we beg you to pardon us for making some suggestions which we feel are advisable for our Association and Churches: That each Church calls for Pastor, a preacher who shows by his life, and works

that he is full of the BIBLE MISSION SPIRIT,—one who is willing to consecrate his time and service to the work of a pastor, and the the Gospel Light, far and wide, first in his church territory, and then to the ends of the earth. That the pastors and deacons so arrange for their Church Conferences, that all the members be seated together in a body, separate from the rest of the congregation. That the Clerk of the Church should have a Roll Book, and should call the Roll at the beginning of each church conference, and mark for those who are absent, and that the pastor, the deacons, or a special committee, if the church has one, look after any members present who do not take their seats, and also, visit those who are not present, as soon as convenient, to learn the cause of their not being in their seats.

That each pastor should spend one week previous to, and including each regular Church Meeting time, visiting and holding religious services, in the homes of members, or not members, of the church when convenient; and to insist for all to attend church and preaching. That each church endeaver to contribute an amount sufficient to pay their pastor at least One Dollar per day for each day he devotes to visiting and preaching. That if the churches learn that there are any persons, members or not members, who are old and feeble, or are sick diseased or are afflicted in any way, so that they are not able to attend the church, they should instruct their pastor to go to their homes and preach for them, or hold such other religious services as may be convenient, that all who live within the territory of the several churches may be sure to have the opportunity of hearing the gospel preached and joining in the service of prayer, that all may be brought in close touch with the work of the church, and be more endued with the power of the Holy Spirit.

Again, we ask to be pardoned for the numerous suggestions we have offered, and your precious time we have taken up. When we look around, we find that something must be done, and done now, if we move forward, or even hold our own. When the churches pay their pastors, and let them feel that their labors are appreciated, and the pastors do the work of a pastor, and keep before the churches and people, the great worthy objects of our denomination, and the hearers of the Word contribute to the needy objects, we, by the guidance of the Spirit, will move forward as never before.

The above we would recommend for Christ's sake.

Thos. L. Day, I. S. Watson, Executive Committee.
I. C. Miller, J. G. Storie, J. D. Cook, } Committee on Pastoral Support.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

By Education we mean that Moral, Spiritual, and Intellectual training that will enable man to be of greater service to his fellow man and to God. It is the duty of all parents to use every opportunity towards educating their children. We believe that the Public Schools are the greatest educators for the common people, and that every one should patronize them. To those who want a higher education, we recommend the Appalachian Training School at Boone, N.C. as a good and up-to-date school. To those who want to complete their education, we recommend the Baptist celleges of our state.

We as Baptists ought to be alive to the responsibilities of life and take every opportunity to educate and qualify our children, that they may live for humanity and for God. Submitted.

R. L. Maltba, D. M. Wheeler, P. A. Foster, Committee.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

We believe that every church should have a Sunday School, at at least part of the year. It is taught by the life and teachings of Christ, and we should follow him. In this great work the seed sown will bring a great harvest in the Judgement. Therefore every one should be deeply interested, and put forth their best efforts so that we may not be accounted slack in the service of our Master. Submitted.

W. H. Miller, R. L. Maltba, Com.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

Your committee on Periodicals would urge the necessity and importance of our Baptist people reading more of our Baptist papers and literature as essential to our progress and development. The present divisions among our Baptist people are largely due to our misunderstanding of each other. We believe it is the duty of our Baptist people to read the Old and New Testaments and teach the same to their children, and we should have some good Baptist Literature such as the Biblical Recorder and Charity and Children, and the Foreign Mission Journal as necessary Periodicals that we may more fully understand our duty in the promotion of our Baptist cause and progress. We advise to utterly exclude the poisonous novels and literature that are blighting the minds of so many children.

Respectfully submitted.

N. S. Hampton, O. L. Hawkins. Committee.

TREASURERS REPORT.

Received of the Association as follows:

Minute Fund,		$10.80
Orphanage Fund,		8.50
State Mission Fund,		1.00
Total Received,		$20.30
Paid for Minutes and mailing,	$6.80	
Paid to Orphanage,	8.50	
Paid to State Missions,	1.00	
Paid to Clerk,	4.00	
Total paid out,	$20.30	

Respectfully,

Wm. M. Lee, Treasurer.

REPORT ON PLACE AND PREACHER.

We appoint the next Association, to be held with the Laurel Fork Church, 5 miles East from Blowing Rock, Watauga county N.C to begin on Tuesday after the Fourth Sunday in September 1910, at 11 o'clock A. M. Wm. M. Lee to preach the Introductory sermon, D. M. Wheeler, Alternate. Respectfully,

H. M. Storie, G. W. Gragg, W. H. Miller, R. L. Maltba, Com.

REPORT ON FINANCE.

Received for Minutes, - - -	$12.37
Received for Orphanage, - - -	7.85
Received for Foreign Missions. - -	.65
Received for Old Misisters' Relief, -	.50
Received for Printing Obituaries, -	.50
Total Received,	$21.87

Allowed the Clerk $4.12.

Submitted.

R. L. Maltba, H. M. Storie, J. W. Hendrix, Com.

REPORT ON STATE OF THE CHURCHES.

Your Committee finds that 7 churches report 62 by baptism, 4 churches report no baptisms; 6 churches report received by letter 15, 5 churches report none received by letter; 3 churches report 5 restorations, 8 churches report no restorations; 3 churches report 5 exclusions, 8 churches report no exclusions; 6 churches report 11 deaths, 5 report no deaths; 10 churches report dismissed by letter 33, 1 church rep orts dismissed by letter none; 11 churches report 932 membership, 10 last year, reported 824 membership; 6 church es report for Orphanage $18.10; 5 churches report $184.44 for pastors' support, 2 churches report nothing for pastors' salary; 4 churches report $25.15 for State Missions; 1 church reports $4.73 f o r Foreign Missions, 7 churches report nothing for Missions; 9 churches report Sunday Schools, with an average attendance of 393, 3 churches report no Sunday Schools. Respectfully,

N. S. Hampton, R. L. Maltba, G. W. Gragg, Committee.

REPORT ON RESOLUTIONS.

RESOLVED, That this Association tender its thanks to the Brethren, Sisters, and Friends of Elk Church, and community, for their kind hospitality shown us during this session of the Association.

Respectfully submitted,

G. W. Gragg, J. D. Cook, Committee.

REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE.

To the Three Forks Baptist Association: Thos. L. Day and N.S. Hampton. To the Brushy Mountain: F. L. Dula and John W. Hendrix. To the Ashe Association: Wm. M. Lee and R. L. Wagner. To the Alleghany: B. F. Wilcox and W. H. Miller. To the Caldwell County: Wm. Minton and W. S. Greene.

Respectfully submitted.

W. H. Miller, D. M. Wheeler, F. L. Dula, Committee.

Obituary of Mabel Malinda Greene.

It is with sadness we note the death of our beloved sister, Mabel Malinda Greene. She was born Oct. 10th, 1827, and died Aug. 10 1909. She was a daughter of Elihu Watson. She professed a hope in Christ and joined Stony Fork Baptist church in the year 1844. She married John Riley Greene Oct. 10th 1844, which union was

blessed with 14 children, 8 boys and 6 girls. 7 boys and 4 girls are living—one boy and 2 girls passed over into the Spirit Land before their mother. She was a kind wife and good mother, kind to everyone, especially to children, so that all who knew her loved her She lived a conscrated Christian life, and died in the triumph of faith. She selected the ministers whom she wanted to preach her funeral. May the Stony Fork church lovingly remember sister Greene. The children will think of mother as never before, now she is gone. Dear Father Greene, who is tottering on his staff, so lonesome and lonely, will remember that the separation will not be long—that he will soon follow on and meet his beloved companion over on the Celestial Shore, where parting will be no more. There was a real lustre shining from her heart that all the good and true of God's children loved. We should all emulate her true Christian life And now as our Dear Sister has bid us all farewell,

No more on earth to dwell:
Our loss indeed does seem so great,
Far more than we have language to relate.
But when we think where she is gone,
And think of that bright Ransomed Throng,
It makes us strive and sincerely pray,
That we may meet her there some day.

By Wm. M. Lee.

Obituary of Elijah Owens.

Brother Elijah Owens departed this life May the 7th, 1909. He was 70 years old at the time of his death. He was a member of Yellow Hill church, in good standing. He was afflicted with cancer of the nose and face for many years, and no tongue can tell how he suffered, but God spared his life to a ripe old age. We hope that as he was blessed in life, that he has entered into rest, and that his works do follow him.

H. L. Church, H. H. Church, Wm. M. Lee.

A Short Biography.

Larkin Greer was born July 29th, 1872, and died July 10th, 1909 Age 36 years, 11 months, and 11 days.

Brother Greer joined the Church at Mt. Pleasant, and was baptized on the 3d Sunday in August. He lived a consistent life. We miss him very much, as he was so good and kind to everybody. He leaves a dear father and mother, and two brothers and two sisters, and many friends, to mourn his death. We wish all the young people would take him for the an example and reverence their parents as he did his parents. "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth: yea, saith the Syirit, that they may rest from their labors; and their works do follow them." By one of his best friends.

M. D. Miller.

In Memory of Rev. L. W. Greer.

Come hear my sad story,
Of my dear aged father.

He was a poor boy until he became a man, he then chose his own

wife and lived unto God, and devoted his time in preaching the Word. On his death bed, as he so helpless lay, he would call to his wife and to her he would say: "Oh! woman stay with me, don't leave me alone," as if he would have her go with him home. He called to his children, and to them he said, "be good to your mother when I am dead."

Wm. L. Greer was his name,—he was wounded most fatal, and died from the pain. Three doctors came to him and tried to relieve, but God in His mercy his spirit received. "Don't grieve for me dear ones, I'm willing to go, and leave all my troubles and sorrows below." "I have long time been trusting in one living God, and spent much time in reading his Word."

The cause of his Mastr compelled him to go to call poor sinners from misery and woe. Now he is gone and the children mourn and weep, and may all his twelve children meet at Jesus' feet.

By friends he was laid in the grave to rest until Christ shall appear, and the Trumpet shall sound, then God will awake all who sleep under ground.

By Elizabeth Greer, his Daughter.

Obituary of Jane Greer, Wife of L. W. Greer.

My Dear Mother died in March, 1905. She is gone and I have no one to cheer me. She came to see me for the last trme and told me how God had bestowed blessings on her through life. Her heart seemed fillled with trouble. She was grieved about her two sons she had lately seen buried. She trusted God for comfort. I read the Bible for her and it seemed to revive her. She stood on her feet and told how Jesus came and saved her, and she said "I have nothing here I care to leave but my three crippled children," and she said "I trust in God that they may reap a reward for the distress and trouble they suffer here." She said: "Oh! now dear daughter I must go, no more on earth to see you, but soon we will meet in heaven."

"This day you will remember long.
The last you saw of mother,
You heard her talk of heavenly things,
And how we would live together."

Dear Mother is gone, farewell.

By Elizabeth Greer, her daughter.

Sunday School Table.

CHURCHES	SUPT.	SEC'Y.	No. Enrolled.	Av. Attendence.	To Orphanage.	For Literature.
Boone's Fork	A. H. Dula	J. C. Church	63	45	1.37	.41
Mt. Vernon	J. W. Harrison	T. L. Critcher	105	68		8.00
Middle Cane	Leroy Minton	Jno. R. Hodges	60	30		1.10
Mt. Ephraim	Jos. Wheeler					
New River	B. F. Wilcox	Beatrice Brown	46			
Poplar Grove	John Patson	Survilla Layell	24			.80
Stony Fork	R. L. Wagner	W. L. Hendrix	137	78		5.42
Laurel Fork*	H M. Storie	W. D. Ashley	58	30		2.44
Doe Ridge	T. B. Foster	Bessie Brown		25		.85
Yellow Hill	A. G. Beshears	Mrs S. J. Church		82	2.16	7.35

*Sickness $4.52.

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STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES	Ordained Ministers.	Licentiates.	PASTORS	CLERKS	P. O.	Church Days.	Rec'd by Baptism	Rec'd by letter	Restored.	Dismissed by Letter.	Excluded.	Deceased.	Total Membership.	Minute Fund.	Mission Fund.	Orphanage Fund.	Paid Pastor.	Other Expenses.
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Boones Fork	0	0	Powell E Hermon	J F Gragg,	Kelsy, N.C.	2				5			43	.50		1.00		
Doe Ridge	1		Edmond Greene	A B Greene,	Boone "	4	1			1			36	.75			7.50	
Elk			D M Wheeler	F L Dula,	Elkville "	3	4		1	1			25	.80				
Laurel Fork			J M Payne	J G Storie,	Blowing Rk'	1	21	4	3	3		1	91	1.47	.65	1.00	36.45	
Mt. Vernon			J M Payne	T L Day,	" "	1	19	4		7		4	199	2.00	4.73	6.68	51.60	10.30
Mt. Ephraim	2		W N Church	N S Hampton,	Bamboo '	4		1		2		1	72	1.00				
Mt. Paran		1	W N Church	Allen Watson	Stony F'k	1				4	2		20	.50				
Middle Cane	1	1	W N Church, D M Wheeler, N S Hampton	Jno R Hodges,	Midle Cane	3	3	3					32	.75		1.00	12.00	
New Hopewell			Not represented.															
New River	1		B F Wilcox	J S Brown,	Riverside, N C	1		1			7		45	.65	2.00	2.43	9.43	
Poplar Grove		1	C S Farthing	R L Maltba,	Moody, "	4	4		1	2	1	1	91	1.00			19.64	
Stony Fork		3	C Miller	R L Wagner,	Stony Frk "	2	10	2		6		2	193	1.50	13.90	.85	15.50	3.00
Watauga			Not represented.															
Yellow Hill	3	1	Wm M Lee	H L Church,	Summit, "	3		1		2	2	2	127	2.10		5.00	12.25	

*Paid to Orphanage by J. F. Church, and Wm. Minton.

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MINUTES

OF THE

SEVENTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

Surry Baptist Association,

HELD WITH

Copeland Church,

AUGUST 12, 13, 14, 15, 1909.

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OFFICERS:

J. G. BURRUS, MODERATOR, Rockford, N. C.

C. F. FIELDS, CLERK, Elkin, N. C.

W. L. REECE, TREASURER, Dobson, N. C.

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The Next Session will Convene with Antioch Church, 4 Miles West of Mount Airy, on Thursday before the 3rd Sunday in August, 1910.

Preacher: E. W. TURNER.

Saturday News Print, Dobson, N. C.

List of Ordained Ministers.

Adams, N. H., ... Rusk, N. C.
Arrington, C. C., ... Mt. Airy, "
Becker, S. J., ... Spray, "
Beamer, W. H., ... Mt. Airy, "
Bennett, James, ... Pilot Mountain, "
Brown, C. C., ... Mt. Airy, "
Burchett, J. W., ... Knottville, "
Bledsoe, T. H., ... Dobson, "
Fields, C. F., ... Elkin, "
James. W. C., ... Mt. Airy, "
Kirk, J. T., ... Rockford, "
Marion, T. J., ... Crutchfield, "
McCall, S. D., ... Pinnacle, "
Murray, L. B., ... State Road, "
Stone, C. H., ... Round Peak, "
Simmons, J. H., ... Mt. Airy, "
Thompson, K., ... Kappsmill, "
Turner, E. W., ... Siloam, "
Utley, C. H., ... Elkin, "
Williams, A. J., ... Zephyr, "

Executive Committee.

J. C. Bass, ... Rusk, N. C.
W. L. Reece, ... Dobson, "
W. R. Doss, ... Rockford, "
P. H. Snow, ... Rockford, "
K. Thompson, ... Kappsmill, "

PROCEEDINGS

COPELAND, N. C., Thursday, August 12, 1909.

Morning Session, 11, A. M.

The seventh annual session of the Surry Association convened with Copeland church. Introductory sermon was preached by W. H. Beamer. Text—But Christ is all in all.—Col. 3: 11. Recess one hour.

Evening Session 1 P. M.

The Association was called to order by J. G. Burrus, Moderator of last year. Prayer by A. J. Williams. The following church letters received and delegates names enrolled:

Antioch—I. W. Reece.
Ararat—
Copeland—W. M. Wood, J. F. Williams, C. H. Doss.
Corinth—A. B. Bryan, W. R. Southern, Joseph Dennis.
Cross Roads—J. F. Haymore.
Dobson—W. L. Reece, J. A. Adams, E. F. Stone.
Elkin—J. W. Bowles, T. M. George, James Bray.
Flat Branch—J. H. Isaacs, Emery Nixon.
Gum Orchard—F. T. Snow, E. W. Haynes, D. J. Melten.
Hills Grove—T. W. Marsh, J. R. Boyles, S. H. Hill, L. G. Hill.
Hollow Springs—R. W. Redman, W. S. Redman, G. A. Tucker.
Macedonia—J. I. Dimmette, Jacob Tharp.
Mt. Carmel—John Phillips, A. C. Beck.
Mt. Hermon—J. W. Starling, R. M. Hardy, J. E. Chaney, A. M. Bray.
Mt. Pleasant—
Mountain View—John Armfield.
New Hope—W. E. Wright, E. S. Stone, I. A. Stone.
Oak Grove—R. W. Boyles.
Piny Grove—J. S. Smith, J. A. Blue, Martin Draughan, Robert Slayton.
Pleasant Ridge—C. H. Carter, D. F. McCann, Hilary Carter, C. W. Luffman.
Richmond—S. H. Gough, Lee Cockerham, Lee Layne, N. E. Wilmoth.
Rockford—B. D. McCaughn, L. W. Burrus, J. F. Bland, G. M. Burrus.
Rockyford—J. C. Kapp, Paul McCann.
Ronda—N. E. Parlier.
Salem—C. F. Callahan, W. H. Linville, J. B. Snow.
Salem Fork—Wesley Scott, T. J. White, F. E. Whitaker, Wm. Fowler.
Siloam—P. H. Snow, J. W. Hardy, D. J. Scott, R. B. Crissman.
Union Cross—S. G. Dobbins, Emory Snow.
White Plains—

A quorum being present proceeded to the election of officers for ensuing year. J. G. Burrus was reelected Moderator; C. F. Fields, Clerk, and W. L. Reece, Treasurer.

On motion the door of the Association was opened for the reception of newly constituted churches when the churches at Flat Branch and Pleasant Ridge were received and delegates enrolled.

On motion invited visiting brethern to seats when W. J. Satterfield, from Blue Ridge; T. S. Crutchfield, from Liberty; J. F. Gentry, from Stone Mountain; C. W. Wiliams, from Piedmont, and W. A. Kirk, from Yadkin, accepted seats.

The following Committees were appointed:

Arrangements—W. H. Beamer, T. M. George, James Bennett, with Moderator and Clerk.

Finance—J. F. Haymore, W. R. Doss, N. E. Parlier, John Phillips, R. W. Redman.

Religious Exercises—Pastor and delegates of this church.

Time, Place and Preacher—F. T. Snow, D. J. Scott, J. W. Starling.

Foreign Missions—C. H. Utley, C. H. Stone, A. M. Reed.

Home Missions—T. M. George, J. W. Bowles, R. M. Hardy, S. Gough.

State Missions—J. E. Ray, K. Tompson, Guy Carter, W. S. Redman.

Sunday School—C. C. Arrington, J. F. Gentry, C. M. Carter, W. R. Southern.

Education—J. T. Kirk, A. J. Williams, T. W. Marsh, J. H. Isaacs, L. W. Burrus.

Periodicals—E. W. Turner, D. J. Melton, E. W. Haynes.

Temperance—W. H. Beamer, Lee Cockerham, J. A. Blue, D. F. McCann.

Condition of Churches—J. C. Bass, P. H. Snow, J. W. Hardy.

Orphanage—T. S. Crutchfield, W. M. Wood, S. H. Hill.

Old Minister's Relief—B. D. McCaughan, G. E. Burrus, A. C. Beck.

Obituaries—K. Thompson, W. L. Reece, Houston Doss.

Queries—J. F. Bland, Thos. Bledsoe, J. R. Boyles.

Nominating Committee—T. M. George, Hasten Snow, J. A. Dennis.

Resolutions—C. W. Luffman, W. J. Satterfield, Hillery Carter, James Bray, A. M. Bray.

On motion appointed the following brethren as chairmen ol the following Committees to write a report on the following Subjects and have their reports ready and at the next session of the Association:

State Missions—J. W. Bowles. Home Missions—K. Thompson. Foreign Missions—T. M. George. Sunday School—J. C. Bass. Education—J. T. Kirk. Periodicals—C. H. Utley. Temperance—J. I. Dimmette. Orphanage—W. H. Beamer. Old Minister's Relief—A. J. Williams. Obituaries—C. H. Stone.

The Committee on Religious Exercises reported that C. H. Utley would preach tonight.

On motion adjourned to Friday, 9 A. M. Prayer by K. Thompson. Benediction by C. F. Fields.

Thursday night C. H. Utley preached an able sermon. Subject—"My duty to my church."

Second Day.

FRIDAY August 13.

Morning Session, 9 A. M.

Prayer by J. E. Ray.

J. E. Ray representing State and Foreign Missions accepted a seat.

The Committee of Arrangements offered the following which was adopted as the order of business.

Report of Committee of Arrangements.

1—Report on Periodicals.
2—Report on Old Minister's Relief.
3—Report on Orphanage.
4—Report on State Missions.
5—Report on Education.
6—Report on Foreign Missions.
7—Report on Temperance.
8—Report on Home Missions.
9—Report on State of the Churches.
10—Report on Obituaries.
11—Report of Nominating Committee.
12—Report on Finance.
13—Report on Time, Place and Preacher.
14—Report on Sunday Schools.
15—Report on Resolutions.
16—Report of Executive Committee.
17—Report of Treasurer.

Respectfully Submitted:

W. H. BEAMER
T. M. GEORGE } Committee.
JAS. BENNETT

Minutes of yesterday read and approved.

I. C. Poindexter and J. M. Kirk from Yadkin Association accepted seats.

The Committee on Periodicals offered the following which was discussed by T. S. Crutchfield. C. H. Utley, T. M. George and the report adopted.

Report on Periodicals.

"If we as a denomination and individual Christians develop and do the work that the Lord requires of us, we must be informed as to the needs and what is

being done to meet these needs in this work.

Our denominational periodicals offer us much of the very best reading matter to help in our personal development and to help us to help others in this respect and they afford us the only means by which we may be informed as to the general needs, and what is being done in our denominational progress.

We have now come upon a time when our children and young people are going to read something; and if we do not place something good in their hands, they are going to read that which is bad. Yea, there is much so called religious literature being scattered over our country and much money and energy is being expended in disseminating it and it is hurtful in its nature. Some of this is going to find its way into the hands of our people unless we see to it that the right kind of literature goes into our homes.

Therefore your Committee recommends that our people read our denominational periodicals, especially The Biblical Recorder, Charity and Children, The Foreign Mission Journal and The Homefield; and for Sunday School literature we recommend the publications of our Sunday School Board at Nashville, Tenn.

Respectfully submitted.

E. W. TURNER
E. W. HAYNES } Committee.
D. J. MELTON

The Committee on Orphanage offered the following. After remarks by T. S. Crutchfield and C. W. Williams a cash collection of $6.07 was raised for the Orphanage and the report was adopted.

Report on Orphanage.

From a small and unpromising beginning twenty-five years ago our Orphanage has grown to large proportions. It now affords a home and educational advantages to about four hundred children. It has no large endowment except in the hearts of the people of the State. There is no other department of our denominational work that has such a large and tender hold upon the hearts of the people as the work of the Orphanage.

The children intrusted to the care of the institution receive, as nearly as can be given under the circumstances, the attention and training given to children in our homes. The total cost per capita per month for maintaining a child last year was about $6.50. The contributions at the present time are not sufficient to pay current expenses. So the immediate need is a slight increase in contributions from all of our churches in the State.

While much is being done in Orphanage work there are still hundreds of children in the State who should be in the Orphanage and scores of these are asking for admission at Thomasville, but only a very few of the needy can be received until our plant is enlarged and the current income increased.

In order that the Orphanage may receive the support that conditions demand your Committee recommends that every Sunday School in the Association take

a collection once a month and forward to S. H. Averitt, Treasurer, and that every church make a Thanksgiving offering. If this plan can be permanently established in all our churches and Sunday Schools throughout the State we can then throw out a helping hand to more of the needy.

And in order that our people may be informed as to the workings of the Orphanage we recommend that Charity and Children be read in our homes.

Respectfully submitted:

T. S. CRUTCHFIELD
W. M. WOOD
S. H. HILL
} Committee.

The Woman's Missionary Society, of Elkin pledges $25 to fit up a room in the infirmary.

On motion the Association pledges $25 to fit up a room in the infirmary.

G. G. Tucker and wife pledge $25 to fit up a room in the infirmary.

On motion adjourned to 1:30 P. M. Prayer by T. S. Crutchfield. Benediction by E. W. Turner.

Evening Session, 1 P. M.

Prayer by J. T. Klrk.

The Committee on State Missions offered the following report, which was spoken to by Guy Carter and J. E. Ray and the report adopted.

Report on State Missions.

The spread of the Gospel was a duty distinctly enjoined on the early church by the Master at His departure. To tell the glad story and publish the good tidings of salvation to a lost world and dying race was the great heritage of work left by Him to His disciples. And that duty and that heritage still belongs to His people, and to fulfill the injunction and perform the work should be considered a privilege of the highest order. It matters not whether our task shall be done on a foreign shore among a benighted race, destitute alike of civilization and Christianity, or in our own country, among our own people whose opportunities have not been equal to that of more favored sections, our commission is framed under and our authority derived from the early command to "Go and teach all nations."

Especially, in the judgment of your Committee, should the work of State Missions appeal to us. This is our State, its people are our people, and the fruit of our efforts we may see and enjoy for ourselves. It is human to desire the best for our State and our own people. We would not minimize the importance of either Foreign or Home Missions, yet we are guilty of nothing but patriotism when we are partial to State Missions. We believe that the injunction not to deny the faith by neglect of our own households applies to the mission work as well as domestic life. Therefore your Committee respectfully urges that our pastors call attention to this important work; that our people be urged to contribute to its support, and that we both pray and work for a deep-

er spiritual life among our people and a more full and effective preaching of the Gospel in the remote districts and wayside places.

All of which we respectfully submit.

GUY CARTER, Committee.

The Committee on Old Minister's Relief offered the following which was discussed by L. W. Burrus, Guy Carter and T. M. George and the report adopted.

Report on Old Minister's Relief

The Committee on Old Minister's Relief begs to submit the following: -

The Relief Board was established for the purpose of aiding indigent and worn out Baptist preachers. One-third of the amounts contributed go into a permanent fund, only the interest of which can be used, while two-thirds are used for present needs. Many of our brethren, who have worn themselves out in the work of the ministry, are dependant on the contributions for a support. If the countries of the world care for their old soldiers surely the churches of Christ should take care of their worn-out soldiers of the cross. We ask that this work be not overlooked in this Associotion.

G. E. BURRUS
B. D. MCCAUGHAN } Committee
A. C. BETTS

The Committee on Education offered their report which was disucssed by J. T. Kirk, A. J. Williams and C. H. Utley. On motion adjourned to 9 A. M. Saturday. Prayer by S. D. McCall. Benediction by C. H. Utley.

Friday night:—T. S. Cruthfield preached an interesting sermon.

Third Day.

SATURDAY, August 14.

Morning Session, 9 A. M.

Prayer by Jesse McCaughan. Minutes of yesterday read and approved. Roll of Delegates called. Jesse McCaughan, from Valley of Virginia Association, accepted a seat.

The report of Committee on Education was adopted.

Report on Education.

The first thing that should concern the church and all Christian people is the education of the children. "Train up a child in the way it should go and when it is old it will not depart from it."

The main aim of education is not animal happiness, but spiritual worthiness. It should teach men and women how to live. It should develop every boy and girl into the best man or woman he is capable of becoming. We assert without the fear of exaggeration that the most pressing need of the nation and humanity is a better type of manhood and womanhood.

We are glad that the State is taking greater interest in education than ever before, but that is no reason why the church should neglect her duty towards

her children. It is evident that the Baptists are making great gains, especially in the towns and cities. This, undoubtedly, is due to the fact that we have begun to educate our people. Our country preachers have done a work that no others could have done, but conditions are fast changing and new problems and new perils are confronting us. We look to Wake Forest and Meredith for relief. Respectfully submitted.

J. T. KIRK
L. W. BURRUS
J. H. ISAACS
A. J. WILLIAMS
} Committee

On motion the rules were suspended and the reports on Foreign and Home Missions were read and discussed by C. H. Utley, T. M. George and Jesse McKaughan and the reports adopted.

Report on Foreign Missions.

Mission enterprises have been, and are, God's methods of advancing His kingdom. We are saved for service. Our Savior intends that we should everyone help save others. "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature," was the supreme command of the Great Commander. During the past conventional year 21 new missionaries were sent out by the Board. The Southern Baptists now have in foreign fields 231 missionaries and 375 native helpers, a grand total of 606 Christian workers. We have 259 regularly constituted Baptist churches and 559 additional preaching stations, which the missionaries reasonably hope to develop into churches. There are 16,596 Christians identified with the churches planted in foreign fields, and nearly every one a converted heathen.

The missionaries have organized 325 permanent Sunday Schools, with an enrollment of 10,430 scholars. During the past conventional year alone our missionaries baptized 2,905 happy converts. In addition to the regular church work educational facilities have proven of infinite value. We maintain 142 schools having an enrollment of 3,846 pupils. We also have 13 medical missionaries, 3 hospitals and 11 places where medicines are given the sick. During the past year 42,659 patients received medical treatment.

The modern printing press is being utilized in foreign fields as well as at home in spreading the glad tidings. Four printing plants are operated, printing religious tracts, papers, books and Bibles in the languages of the different countries.

There are in North Carolina 212,879 white Baptists, who are asked to raise for foreign missions $45,000 which is 21 cents per member. There are approximately 1,600 members in this Association. Their proportionate part, therefore, of the amount the State is asked to raise, at 21 cents per member, would be $336. The great work we are doing is made possible by the co-operation of the gospel. Could we ask God to do more with the very small sum

of 21 cents than he is doing where our foreign missionaries are laboring? God is abundantly blessing our missionaries and the fields are white unto harvest.

CHAS. H. UTLEY
C. H. STONE } Committee.

Report on Home Missions.

Too much stress cannot be placed on the importance of the work being done by the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention. The prosecution of this work, together with that done by State Missions means much to the Baptist denomination all over the Southland and in Cuba.

The concentration of our population in the cities and towns places new and very important obligations upon us if we are to hold our ground as a denomination.

The great tide of foreign immigration that is flocking to our shores, with their crude ideas of religion, demands that we be alert to the responsibilities resting upon us. We must Christianize them or they will paganize us.

Respectfully submitted.

T. M. GEORGE
R. M. HARDY } Committee
J. W. BOWLES

The Committee on State of Churches offered the following which was adopted.

Report of Committee on Finance and State of Churches.

We find 26 churches reported by letter in the Association. We have no report from five of the churches. We find that the churches reporting have gained:

By Baptism	131
By Letter	44
By Restoration	6
Total gain	181

The 26 churches have lost:

By Death	9
By Letter	26
By Exclusion	15
Total Loss	50

Net gain in membership 131

We find that the 26 churches have in Sunday Schools approximately 1600 pupils. Two schools are union schools, viz, Siloam and Rockford.

We find the churches have contributed as follows: To State Missions, $144 - 09; Home Missions, $95.34; Foreign Missions, $112.12; Orphanage, $147.14; Old Minister's Relief, $33.06; Ministerial Education, $11.00; Minutes and Clerk, $21.07; The Poor, $25.21; For Building, Incidental Etc.; $722.96; For Pastor's Salary, $1242.47.

We find that 14 churches contributed to State Missions, 17 to Home Mis-

sions, 12 to Foreign Missions, 18 to Orphanage, 11 to Old Ministers and 5 to Ministerial Education.

A Comparison.

	1908	1909	Gain
State Missions	84.10	144.09	59.99
Home Missions	34.45	95.34	60.89
Foreign Missions	76.80	112.12	35.32
Orphanage	127.93	147.14	19.21

Cash Collection for Orphanage, $6.12.

J. C. BASS
P. H. SNOW } Committee

The Committee on Time, Place and Preacher reports: Time, Thursday before 3rd Sunday in August, 1910; Place, Antioch, 4 miles west of Mt. Airy, N. C.; Preacher, E. W. Turner; Alternate, T. J. Marion.

F. T. SNOW
D. J. SCOTT
J. W. STARLING } Committee

The Committee ou Temperance offered the following which was discussed by Guy Carter, C. W. Williams, W. H. Beamer and Jesse McCaughan, and the report adopted.

Report on Temperance.

For the first time in our history we are able to report there is no spirituous liquors manufactured or sold lawfully in the bounds of our Association and it is with pleasure that we note the sentiment in favor of our prohibition laws. With the present laws and public sentiment against the traffic we can suppress the evil from every nook and corner.

We believe that there is less intoxicating liquor used in Surry county than ever before.

We ask the members of this Association to use all honorable means to enforce our prohibition laws and rid our country of every appearance of this monster evil that every community shall be famous for sobriety and virtue.

W. H. BEAMER
J. A. BLUE } Committee

On motion adjourned. Prayer by C. H. Stone. Benediction by T. J. Marion.

Evening Session, 1 P. M.

Prayer by T. H. Bledso.

The committee on Sunday Schools reported. On motion the report was received and ordered to be discussed Sunday 10 A. M.

Report on Sunday Schools.

Your Committee on Snnday Schools for report to your body beg leave to submit: That no other work of the church save preaching of the gospel is of paramount importance to the work that is, or should be done by our Sunday

Schools. Upon the teaching and training of the young in a proper manner depends the security of our institutions and the safety of Christian civilization. Education is now the watchword of our people and the sine qua non of all business success. Without diligence, accompanied by that intelligence derived from modern education, the individual must and will remain "a hewer of wood and a drawer of water." Never before has mental prowess been quoted upon the stock exchange of Supply and Demand so much above par and mere physical strength so far below.

But mental culture alone cannot bring to one that highest success in life To it moral training must also be added. Until the heart reverently lifted up can exclaim, "From everlasting to everlasting Thou art God," something most essential is lacking in the life. And our forefathers, anxious to preserve not only civil liberty but religious freedom as well, wrote in the fundamental law of the land, and wisely too, that no church should be supported or aided by the government, neither should there be any established religion in our country. Hence religious training may not be imparted in schools supported by the public, and courts of highest standing have decided that even the Bible may not be taught in those schools.

But Christian culture is a necessity and to, in some measure, bestow the same the Sunday School may be regarded as the best institution so far devised. In it the child, who has received instruction from text-books and recitations on other subjects in the public schools may, on one day in the week, learn something of the higher and better things of life, may learn of Him, of whom it is said, "to know is life eternal." And as an educationa lfactor we commend it to the hearty support of our people everywhere.

Furthermore, as a source of supply for Christian manhood and womanhood, with which to fill our churches and do the work of Christ on earth, we regard it as the greatest. By comparison and contrast no other agency or subsidiary organization of the denomination, brings to the foot of the cross and within the fold of the church so many active Christians and useful members. Of all our allied organizations intended to be tributaries of the church this is most fruitful in good works. To a saving knowledg of Christ and a life of glorious usefulness, it has brought many, many young men and wowen, who otherwise would have wasted their years and spent their strength in sin and sadness.

To ministers and laymen, to men and women, to boys and girls, to one and all we commend the cause of the Sunday School.

GUY CARTER
C. C. ARRINGTON } Committee
J. F. GENTRY

The Committee on Queries submitted the following which was received and ordered to be discussed in connection with the Sunday School report Sunday at 10 A. M.

Report on Queries.

1. Would it not be well for the Surry Baptist Association to establish Sunday Schools in its boundaries, at all unoccupied places? Would it not be well to do so at once?

2. Would it not be better for all the churches and Sunday Schools of the Surry Baptist Association to use the same song books?

J. F. BLAND
T. F. BLEDSOE } Committee
J. R. BOYLES

The Committee on Finance submitted the following which was adopted.

Report on Finance.

We, the Finance Committee, submit the following report:

We have received cash during this session as follows:

State Missions,	$22.29
Home Missions,	8.54
Foreign Missions,	3.10
Orphanage,	19.48
Old Minister's Relief,	2.75
Minute Fund,	23.97
Poor Fund,	2.75
Ministerial Education,	1.00
Total	$83.88

W. R. DOSS
J. F. HAYMORE } Committee
R. W. REDMAN

The Nominating Committee reported: J. C. Bass, W. L. Reece, W. R. Doss, P. H. Snow and K. Thompson for Executive Committee.

T. M. GEORGE, Chm. Committee.

The Committee on Resolutions offered the following which was adopted.

RESOLVED: That the delegates and visiting brethren to this Association do hereby express our most hearty thanks and best wishes to the good people of Copeland church and community for their kindness and unbounded hospitality extended to us during the several days meeting of the Surry Association.

W. J. SATTERFIELD
C. W. LUFFMAN
HILLARY CARTER } Committee
A. M. BRAY
JAMES BRAY

The Executive Committee offered the following which was adopted.

Executive Committee's Report.

The Executive Committee submit the following report: We employed E. W. Turner for one-fourth of his time at Hillls Grove for $50.

C. F. Fields for part of his time at Flat Branch and other points in the bounds of the Assocition for $40. Respectfully submitted.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Appointed W. L. Reece A. J. Williams and J. A. Adams to collect money and erect a monument in memory of J. H. Lewellyn at an early day where his relatives may desire.

Jesse McCaughn paid $1, J. S. May $1, Mrs. William Norman $1, and each of the following persons pledged one dollar to erect said monument: T. F. Bledsoe, J. W. Bowles, T. H. James, W. H. Beamer, R. W. Boyles, Latitia Norman, James Briggs, W. Y. Davenport, G. M. Burrus, E. S Reece, J. C. Bass, Mrs. Frank Comer, Mrs. Bettie Burrus, J. G. Burrus, C. F. Fields,Luther Wood and James Bennett.

Instructed the Clerk to write the papers of Surry and Yadkin counties asking them to bring this matter before their people and urge them to help in this matter

On motion ordered the Trustees of the Associational School at Rockford to deed said property to the Board ot Education of Surry county.

The following brethren were appointed as delegates to Southern Baptist and State Conventions.

To State Convention: W. L. Reece, J. F. Haymore, J. W. Bowles, John Armfield, A. J. Williams, W. H. Beamer, C. F. Fields, I. W. Reece, J. C. Kapp, J. W. Redman, J. A. Adams, T. M. George, James Bennett.

To Southern Baptist Convention: C. H. Utley, Guy Carter.

The following were appointed as messengers to the following Associations:

To Yadkin—F. T. Snow, W. R. Doss, J. T. Kirk, L. W. Burrus, Lee Cockerham, P. H. Snow.

Stone Mountain—A. J. Wiliams, C. F. Fields, K. Thompson, D. J. Scott, W. M. Wood.

To Pilot Mountain—R. W. Redman, J. T. Poindexter, G. E. Burrus, B. D. McCaughan.

The Treasurer offered his report which was adopted. (See next page for Report.)

On motion ordered the Clerk to have 500 copies of minutes printed and be allowed $10.00 for his service. A cash collection of $2.67 was raised for minutes.

On motion adjourned to time and place of next Association.

Prayer by Jesse McCaughan. Benediction by T. J. Marion.

Fourth Day.

Sunday, August 15.

Morning Session, 10 A. M. Prayer by W. H. Beamer.

The Sunday School report and the report on Queries were discussed together by J. C. Bass, Jesse McCanghan, W. L. Reece and the reports adopted.

11 A. M. Jesse McCaughan preached an able sermon. Text: "Sir, we would see Jesus."—John 12:21.

A cash collection of $9.26 was raised for State Missions.

Thus passed one of the best and most pleasant sessions of the Surry Association.

J. G. BURRUS, Moderator.

C. F. FIELDS, Clerk.

Treasurer's Report.

W. L. Reece, Treasurer of Surry Baptist Association, makes the following report:

To balance on hand Aug. 13, '08.	$37.15	" 4 " Rockford, Orphanage	4.09
Rec'd at Hollow Springs Ass'n as follows:		June 2 " Rockford, Sunday School Miss.	2.98
State Missions	21.12	" 12 " Macedonia, Ministers Relief	2.00
Home "	13.41	" " " Macedonia, Home Missions	.81
Foreign "	16.26	July 5 " Cross Roads, Orphanage	.85
Orphanage	39.17	" 7 " Macedonia, Foreign Missions	2.11
Old Minister's Relief	12.73	" " " Rockford, Home Missions	2.71
Education	5.00	Aug. 9 " Salem Fork, Foreign Missions	1.00
Minute Fund	30.00	" " " Salem Fork, Home Missions	.50
For Rev. J. H. Lewellyn monument	5.35	" " " Salem Fork, Old Ministers	.76
Sept. 28, '08 Macedonia, State Missions	1.86	" 11 " Dobson, Old Ministers	1.00
Oct. 27, 08 Gum Orchard, Minstrs. Edu.	2.00	" " " Dobson, State Missions	2.00
Nov 14, '08, Macedonia, State Missions	5.80	" " " Dobson, Foreign Missions	1.00
Nov. 19, '08, Antioch, " "	2.50	" " " Dobson, Home Missions	1.00
" " " Old Ministers	1.75	Total Amt. Received, $282.99	
Nov. 23 '08 Richmond, Orphanage	1.97		
Dec. 1 " Rocford, "	3.51		
Dec. 1 " Dobson, "	3.00		
Dec. 2 " By hand of Rev. C. F. Fields as follows:			
Richmond, State Missions	16.75		
Gum Orchard, " "	7.00		
Mt. Hermon, Orphanage	1.00		
" " Old Ministers	1.00		
" " Home Missions	.30		
Salem Fork, State Missions	1.00		
Feb. 1 '09 Union Cross, Orphanage	1.75		
" " " Mt. Hermon, "	1.75		
" " " Richmond, State Missions	3.27		
" 17 " Rockyford, State Mission	1.50		
" 25 " Gum Orchard, Orphanage	3.65		
" " " Gum Orchard, Foreign Missions	2.10		
Apr. 1 " Rockford, State Missions	4.00		
" 15 " Macedonia, Education	1.65		
" " " Macedonia, State Missions	1.70		
" " " Macedonia, Foreign Missions	1.07		
" " " Macedonia, Home Missions	2.66		
" 19 " Gum Orchard, State Missions	1.20		
" " " Gum Orchard, Foreign Missions	.50		
" " " Gum Orchard, Home Missions	1.41		
May 3 " Salem Fork, Foreign Missions	1.00		
" " " Salem Fork, Aged Ministers	.24		

Paid Out as follows:			
Aug. '08 Pd. C. F. Fields, Min. Fund	$30.00		
" " " " " On Salary	21.00		
" " Paid Walter Durham, Treas. Home and Foreign Miss., Orphanage, old Ministers relief and Education	86.57		
Dec. 5 '08 Paid C. F. Fields on Salary	53.88		
" " " Paid Walter Durham, Treas., Orphanage. Old Ministers relief, Education and Home Missions	14.53		
Dec. '08 Paid J. C. Bass expenses to Raleigh meeting State board	9.00		
Feb. '09 Paid Walter Durham, Orphanage	3.50		
June '09 Paid Walter Durham Treasurer Orphanage, Foreign and Home Miss. Aged Ministers, Education and Sunday Schools	20.45		
Aug. 7 '09 Pd. Walter Durham, Treas., Ministers relief, Foreign aud Home Missions, Orphanage	8.48		
Aug. 11 '09 Pd. Walter Durham, Treas., Home & Foreign Missions, Old Ministers	6.26		
Total Paid Out	253.79		
Balance on Hand	29.20		

W. L. REECE, Treasurer.

Financial Table.

CHURCHES	Pastors Salary	Incidentals	B'ld'g & repairs	S. S. Ex penses	The Poor	State missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Orphanage	Old ministers relief	Minutes & Clerk	Total	Value of Church Property
Antioch	$60.00			1.25	5.00	6.70	1.00	1.00	1.20	2.25	.75	79.15	$1000
Ararat													
Copeland	50.00	1.50	108.00			1.35	.50	.80			.70	162.85	1600
Corinth	10.00			3.00							.75	13.75	100
Cross Roads				.85					.85		.70	2.40	700
Dobson	60.00	5.00		10.00		3.00	.50	.50	2.00	1.00	1.00	84.00	1500
Elkin	500.00	51.00		114.25	10.85	27.85	31.75	39.00	66.60	20.00	1.75	863.05	5000
Flat Branch											1.12	1.12	
Gum Orchard	25.00					2.61	1.00	1.70	3.90	2.25	1.00	37.46	700
Hills Grove	1.75		178.00	2.45		1.50		1.00	1.00		.50	168.20	500
Hollow Springs				5.60		1.00	1.50	1.50	2.40		.45	12.45	
Macedonia	80.00					7.60	3.54	3.04	14.22	2.00	1.10	111.50	700
Mt. Carmel	40.00					1.00			2.50		1.00	44.50	500
Mt. Hermon					5.11	2.67		1.00	1.75		1.15	13.68	400
Mountain View	50.00					5.00			1.85		.60	57.45	600
New Hope	30.00	2.75		2.		2.08					1.35	38.15	200
Oak Grove	20.	1.	3.	2.		1.			1.		.50	28.50	400
Piney Grove	25.	20.		1.80							1.	47.80	200
Pleasant Ridge	7.		350.	2.25							1.05	360.30	400
Richmond	40.	60.		7.		19.27			3.84		1.10	131.21	1000
Rockford	75.	10.		35.		7.71			7.60	2.	1.	128.31	600
Rockyford	25.					2.90	1.50			2.06	.60	31.95	500
Ronda	65-			12.		7.	1.50	49.50	13.75		.75	149.50	1200
Salem	15.		20.	2.		1.			1.		1.	40.	500
Salem Fork	15.					2.	.50	1.		1.	.60	20.10	500
Siloam	48.72	10.	43.		2.75	2.	5.		5.	1.	.95	138.72	800
Union Cross	20.				2.10	1.	.50		1.75	.50	1.	26.85	600
White Plains	40.	2.	15.	4.			2.27		3.		.50	66.77	400
Totals	1302.47	163.22	717.	208.45	29.81	106.24	51.06	99.04	66.21	35.06	23.95	2867.73	20,700

Pledges by the Churches for all Objects.

	Orphanage	State missions	Old ministers relief	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	J. H. Lewellyn Monument	Total
Antioch	$5.00	$5.00	$5.00	$5.00	$5.00		$25.00
Ararat	2.00	1.00	1.00	1.00			5.00
Copeland	5.00	1.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.50	14.50
Corinth	2.00						2.00
Cross Roads	2.00			2.00	2.00	4.00	10.00
Dobson	5.00	5.00	1.00	3.00	2.00	5.00	21.00
Elkin	35.00	25.00	5.00	30.00	20.00	5.00	120.00
Flat Branch	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00		5.00
Gum Orchrad	2.00	1.00	2.00	5.00	5.00		15.00
Hills Grove	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00			4.00
Hollow Springs	2.00	1.00	1.00	1.00			5.00
Mt. Carmel	2.50	1.00	1.00	1.00			5.50
Mt. Hermon	2.00		2.00	1.00			5.00
M't'n View	2.50	5.00	1.00	2.50	2.50		13.50
Macedonia	5.00	5.00	3.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	28.00
New Hope			2.00	1.00	1.00		4.00
Oak Grove			1.00	1.00			2.00
Piney Grove	1.00	1.00					2.00
Pleasant Ridge	1.00	1.00					2.00
Richmond	5.00	10.00	5.00	5.00	2.00	2.00	29.00
Rockford	5.00	5.00	4.00	5.00	5.00		24.00
Rockyford	2.50	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00		6.50
Ronda	10.00	7.50	2.50	7.50	5.00		32.50
Salem	1.00		1.00				2.00
Salem Fork	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00			4.00
Siloam	5.00	6.00	1.00				12.00
Union Cross	1.00	1.00	1.00				3.00
White Plains	5.00	6.00	3.00				14.00
Totals	111.00	91.50	48.50	83.00	58.50	23.50	$415.50

Statistical Table.

Church.	Pastor and Postoffice	Clerk and Postoffice	Rec'd by Baptism	Rec'd by Letter	Restored	Dismis'd by letter	Excluded	Died	Male Members	Female Members	Total membership	Sunday
Antioch	J. W. Simmons, Mt. Airy	I. W, Reece, Mt. Airy		1		3			26	41	47	1
Ararat												
Copeland	E. W. Turner, Siloam	W. M. Wood, Rockford	2						25	45	70	2
Corinth	T. J. Marion, Crutchfield	W. R. Southern, Ararat	1			3		3	12	34	46	1
Cross Roads		J. F. Haymore, Dobson						2	21	37	d8	4
Dobson	J. T. Kirk, Rockord	W. L. Reece, Dobson		1		3			19	29	48	4
Elkin	C. H. Utley, Elkin	T. G. Trivett, Elkin		5		4		2	55	77	132	1&3
Flat Branch	C. F. Fields, Elkin	J. H. Isaacs, State Road	21	12					14	22	36	1
Gum Orchard	C. F. Fields, Elkin	D. J. Melton, Rusk		1		2			25	50	75	3
Hill Grove	T. J. Marion, Crutchfield	S. H. Hill, Siloam		2					5	4	9	4
Hollow Springs	C. C. Arrington, Mt. Airy	W. S. Redman, Ararat	5		2	3			33	84	117	1
Macedonia	J. W. Burchett, Knottville	J. T. Edwards, Ronda	18	1		2			66	84	150	1
Mt. Carmel	James Bennett, Pilot Mountain	B. D. Reece, Mt. Airy	2	1		2	1		24	33	57	4
Mt. Hermon	A. J. William, Zephyr	F. C. Sprinkle, Rusk	1				1	1	33	37	70	4
Mountain View	W. H. Beamer, Mt. Airy	L. A. Martin, Ladonia			2	2			28	41	69	4
New Hope	C. H. Stone, Round Peak	F. T. Lewellyn, Round Peak	16			4			38	39	76	2
Oak Grove	C. H. Stone, Round Peak	R. W. Boyls, Round Peak	1			1	1		10	12	22	1
Piney Grove	C. C. Arington, Mt. Airy	J. A. Blue, White Plains	13	4		4			14	31	45	3
Pleasant Ridge	L. B. Murray, State Road	D. F. McCann, State Road	6						18	27	45	4
Richmond	C. F. Feilds, Elkin	N. E. Wilmoth, Rusk	5	4		1		1	45	57	102	2
Rockford	W. H. Beamer, Mt. Airy	L. W. Burrus, Rockford		1		1	1	1	41	60	101	1
Rockyford	C. F. Fields, Elkin	P. M. Isaacs, State Road	3					1	19	47	66	1
Ronda		N. E. Parlier, Ronda				2		1	22	23	45	4
Salem	T. G. Marion, Crutchfield	J, B. Snow, Crutchfield		2			9		17	17	34	2
Salem Fork	A. J. Williams, Zephyr	E. W. Holt, Rusk	6	1			1		7	18	25	1
Siloam	E. W. Turner, Siloam	A. E. Snow, Siloam	14				2		25	31	56	3
Union Cross	A. J. Williams, Zephyr	C. C. Williamson, Rusk	9	2					17	41	58	4
White Plains	W. H. Beamer, Mt. Airy	S. C. Franklin, Mt. Airy			4	1	4		22	50	72	2
Totals			116	36	5	41	17	16	671	1080	1751	

Sunday School Statistics.

School	Sup't and P. O.	Sec'y and P. O.	Officers & Teach	Scholars	Total	Average	Months kept o	Quarterlies and Papers taken
Antioch	P. R. Beamer, Mt. Airy	J. T. Johnson, Mt. Airy	5	60	65	50	6	41
Copeland	W. M. McDowell, Rockford	W. M. Wood, Rockford	4	46	50	35	6	35
Corinth	A. B. Bryan, Ararat	Lucy Bullin, Ararat	5	50	55	25	12	50
Cross Roads	Mrs. E. N. Haymore, Dobson	J. R. Beamer, Dobson	6	58	64	40	8	30
Dobson	W. L. Reece, Dobson	Mabel Lewellyn, Dobson	5	94	99	50	12	52
Elkin	J. W. Bowles, Elkin	T. G. Trivette, Elkin	12	193	205	119	12	370
Flat Branch	E. L. Wolfe, State Road	J. H. Issacs, State Road	4	50	55	35	6	45
Gum Orchard	F. T. Snow, Zephyr	Lettie Bryan, Zephyr	6	60	66	43	12	51
Hill's Grove	S. A. Patterson, Siloam	S. H. Hill, Siloam	10	50	60	30	12	37
Hollow Springs	G. A. Tucker, Mt. Airy	R. W. Redman, Mt. Airy	7	121	128	65	6	185
Macedonia	S. M. Burchett, Ronda	E. T. Edwards, Ronda	6	54	60	30	9	50
Mt. Carmel	J. M. Dix, Mount Airy	J. C. Segraves, Mount Airy	2	40	42	35	12	
Mt. Hermon								
Mountain View	L. A. Martin, Ladonia	D. Martin, Ladonia	4	30	34	20	6	25
New Hope	F. T. Lewellyn, Dobson	Luther Stone, Round Peak	14				6	40
Oak Grove	R. W. Boyles, Round Peak	V. E. Boyles. " "	3	35	38	25	6	50
Piney Grove	J. A. Blue, White Plains	S. Marion, White Plains	5	54	59	23	6	30
Pleasant Ridge	Y. D. Johnson, Austin	Carrie Carter, State Road	5	45	50	40	8	30
Richmond	Ines Dodson, Rusk	U. V. Burch, Rusk	4	85	89	45	12	208
Rockford	J. G. Burrus, Rockford	J. B. Holyfield Rockford	12	40	52	45	12	75
Rockyford								
Ronda	J. A. Poplin, Ronda	Minnie Russell, Ronda	5	35	40	30	12	40
Salem								
Salem Fork	W. F. Cooper, Rusk	Roxie Long, Rusk	4	70	74	30	12	
Siloam	J. H. Bowman, Crutchfield	Hattie Reece, Crutchfield	5	40	45			
Union Cross								
White Plains	J. D. Creed, Mt. Airy	Jennie Nichols, Mt Airy	7	40	47	35	6	
Totals			141	1350	1491	851		1193

MINUTES

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Forty-Ninth Annual Session

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STONY FORK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION,

HELD WITH

LAUREL FORK CHURCH

Watauga County, N. C.

SEPTEMBER 27, 28, and 29,

1910.

MODERATOR, THOS. L. DAY, Blowing Rock, N. C.
CLERK, WM. M. LEE, Summit, N. C.

The next session will be held with the church at Mt. Vernon, Watauga County, N. C., on Tuesday after the first Sunday in October, 1911, at 11 o' clock, A. M.
D. M. Wheeler to preach the Introductory Sermon;
B. F. Wilcox, alternate.

OFFICERS AND PREACHERS.

THOS. L. DAY, Moderator, Blowing Rock, N. C.
WM. M. LEE, Clerk and Treasurer, Summit, N. C.

GENERAL MANAGERS OF SUNDAY SCHOOL WORK:

Thos. L. Day, Blowing Rock, N. C.
G. W. Gragg, Blowing Rock, N. C.

ORDAINED MINISTERS:

Church, W. N.	Greene, Edmond.	Lee, Wm. M.
Church, John Wm.	Greene, James E.	Wheeler, D. N.
Gragg, E. M.	Hampton, Noah S.	Wilcox, B. F.

LICENTIATES:

Greene, W. S.	Miller, M. D.	McGuire, J. G.
Layell, D. L. H.	Miller, Thomas.	Miller, T. C.

—PROCEEDINGS.—

THE Stony Fork Baptist Association met with the Laurel Fork Church, in its 49th annual session, on Tuesday, September 27, 1910 After singing, Wm. M. Lee read part of the first chapter of Acts and C. S. Farthing led in prayer, after which, Wm. M. Lee preached from Acts 1: 8.

After an intermission of one hour, or more, the Delegates were called to order by the Moderator of last year, Edmond Greene leading in prayer. D. S. Lee and R. L. Wagner read the letters from the churches represented, and the names of Delegates enrolled as follows:

Boone's Fork— J F Church.
Doe Ridge— G W Brown.
Elk — Represented by Letter.
Laurel Fork— Jesse Story, Joel E Greene, W A Greene.
Mt. Vernon— C M Critcher, J W Harrison, Thos L Day.
Mt. Ephraim— J P Cook, D M Wheeler, N S Hampnon.
Mt. Paran— Represented by Letter.
Middle Cane— J E Greene, John W Hendrix.
New Hopewell— Represented By Letter.
New River— B F Wilcox, C C Phillips.
Poplar Grove— D L H Layell, P M Winkler.,
Stony Fork— W S Greene, R L Wagner, J D Cook.
Watauga— W H Caloway, Calvin Coffey.
Yellow Hill— Wm M Lee, W N Church.

Proceeded to election of Officers. Elders C. S. Farthing and J. M. Payne served as Tellers. who reported Thos. L. Day, Moderator, and Wm. M. Lee, Clerk.

Invited Correspondents and Visitors to seats. Elders C. S. Farthing and J. M. Payne, Correspondents, and W. T. Vandyke, A. J Shull, visitors from Three Forks; Elds. D S. Lee and I. C. Miller and R. H. Pipes, Correspondents from Caldwell County; J. G. Story, Visitor from Stony Fork; Elder W. R. Beach, representing the Biblical Recorder, from Raleigh Associations, accepted Seats.

Extended invitation to churches wishing to unite with this association—none present.

On motion, empowered the Moderator and Clerk to appoint all necessary Committees, and the following were announced, viz:

On Devotional Exercises: W A Greene, Joel E Greene, Jesse Story, Sidney Triplett, and J M Payne.

Order of Business: D M Wheeler, R L Wagner, Joel E Greene, Edmond Greene, with Correspondents, Moderator and Clerk.

On Resolutions: N S Hampton, Noah Winkler, W S Greene.

Sunday Schools: J W Harrison, B F Wilcox, James E Greene.

Orphanage: W H Caloway, G W Brown, C S Farthing.

Education: C M Critcher, B F Wilcox, I C Miller, W R Beach.

Temperance: J D Cook, R H Pipes, W N Church.

State Missions: D S Lee, J F Church, G C Coffey.

Home Missions: E M Gragg. C C Phillips, N S Hampton.

Foreign Missions: D L H Layell, J W Hendrix, R L Wagner.

Periodicals: P M Winkler, W R Beach, J F Eller,, B F Wilcox.

Correspondence: J Story, D M Wheeler, J W Harrison, D S Lee.

Finance: R L Wagner, J F Church.

State of the Churches: J G Story, N S Hampton, A J Shull.

Pastoral Support: W T Vandyke, W H Calloway, J F Church, R H Pipes, I C Miller.

Place and Preacher: C M Critcher, W S Greene, E M Gragg.

Committee on Devotional Exercises reported that, Elder W. R. Beach, will preach Wednesday at 11: 30 o'clock, a. m.

Adjourned to meet Wednesday at 9 o'clock a. m., and spend 30 minutes in prayer service conducted by Elder I. C. Miller.

Benedictory prayer by Elder W. R. Beach.

SECOND DAY, Wednesday, Sept. 28th 1910.

Met according to appointment and engaged in Devotional Services, singing conducted by Bro. W. T. Vandyke, and prayer service conducted by Elder I. C. Miller, by reading Acts 20th chapter, and leading in prayer.

The moderator called the Associaton to order.

Called the Roll and marked absentees.

Report on Order of Business was read and adopted.

Read previous minutes, which were approved.

Read Rules of Decorum and Articles of Faith.

Extended an invitation to Correspondents and Visitors. Elder J. F. Eller, from Three Forks Association accepted a seat.

Report on Periodicals was read by Elder W. R. Beach, and spoken to by W. R. Beach and others, and adopted.

REPORT.

The reading of good literature is one of the greatest advantages of our age; and its importance can scarcely be urged too strongly. The only means by which we can counteract the invasion of trashy reading matter is to place good reading matter within reach of those who read. We would recommend and urge above all else, the reading of God's Word. The Biblical Recorder, which for more than seventy five years has been vitally connected with our denominational work and every good undertaking in this State, is the organ of the Baptist State Convention, which elects the editor and controls its policy. This shoul l be in every home so that we may keep in close touch with each other. We would recommend the Foreign Mission Journal, The Home Field, and Charity and Children.

W. R. Beach, B. F. Wilcox, *Committee.*

On motion, reports on State, Home, and Foreign Missions were read by D. S Lee, N. S. Hampton and R. L. Wagner, respectively: at this time the association adjourned until 1 o'clock p. m., during which time Elder W.R. Beach preached an impressive sermon from Rom. 8: 17.

At 1 o'clock, p. m., the association was called to order, and the reports on State, Home, and Foreign Missions were discussed together, being spoken to by Elder W. R. Beach and adopted.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

A Biblical definition for missions is, Preaching Christ. Christ said, "and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem and all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost parts of the earth." The second named location, "all Judea," we believe to be State Mission territory, and the extreme limits "all," would embrace the importance of this work. Christ gave to the churches the power, and laid upon them the responsibility of saving this territory from eternal ruin. In "all Judea" a StateMission, we consider the work in three divisions, viz: Destitution in Eastern N.C., supplying Cotton Mill territory or central N.C., and the 3d division is development of western N.C., where the Baptist people dominate. It becomes our duty, not only to establish our cause where it does not now exist, but to guard our interest where our principles are now established. Eastern North Carolina, cry in thunder tones "Come over into Macedonia and help us." We advise the churches to pledge liberally to the support of State Missions, and urge that an

increase be made in our pledging as the demand and expense of the work increases each year. Respectfully submitted,

D. S. Lee, J. F. Church, *Com.*

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

By Home Missions we mean the spread of the gospel within the United States and our recent Possession. There are many States in the Union where our Baptist cause is scarcely known. Foreigners are continually coming into our beloved country, and as they come, they must be christianized or we will be lowered as a christian nation. We advise all our churches to give freely and encourage Home Missions, that the cause of Christ may be promoted to a higher standard in our beloved Union. How shall we escape if we neglect so great salvation, which at the first began to be spoken by the Lord and was confirmed unto us by them that heard him. Heb. 2:3.

N. S. Hampton, C. C. Phillips, E. M. Gragg, *Com.*

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

We believe it is the duty of every converted person to aid in helping to send the Gospel to the Foreign Fields, as their financial standing will allow. We find that Christ wanted his disciples to be witnesses for him, therefore we want the whole world to have the Gospel.

R. L. Wagner, J. W. Hendrix, D. L. H. Layell, *Committee.*

Report on Temperance was read by R. H. Pipes and spoken to by Bro. R. H. Pipes, and others and adopted.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Believing as we do, that the churches are largely responsible for the morals of the country, we feel it our duty, to do all we can, to suppress every agency that promotes immorality. The devil has many agencies and among them is strong drink, against which prohibition has set itself, and we are advised by the leaders of this movement, that we have reached a crisis in the work. We therefore ask all Christians to be faithful and the victory is sure. Let us keep in mind that the distillery, the brewery, and the saloons, are all weapons in the hands of satan to aid in dragging the people down to hell. Take for example, the State of Illinois, which has appropriated $600,000 to take care of her insane, and whisky is responsible for 75 per cent of that trouble alone, to say nothing of the untold suffering in other respects.

We should be glad if we could impress all christian people, and all others too, of the alarming danger along the line of cigarette smoking. A tobacco salesman was asked if the brand of pipe and cigarette tobacco, he was boasting was doped with opium, and he said 'Sure! I could not sell a case to the retailers if I did not assure them that it is highly doped." Judge Ben B. Lindsey, who presides over the Juvenile Court in Denver, sayes that thousands and thousands of boys have disgraced themselves and their parents, and brought sorrow and misery upon themselves, and the Judge, says, he knows of no one habit that is responsible for so much of these troubles as the smoking of cigaretts. The business world is getting so aroused to the danger of opium that the States of Iowa, Michigan, Min-

nesota, Missouri, Nebraska, Wisconsin, Indiana and Illinois, have recently forbid the manufacture and sale of cigaretts. Your committee urges prayerful watchfulness and care, along this line, and insist that the members abstain from the use of tobacco in all its forms and set such examples before the young as they would be willing for their own children to follow.

R. H. Pipes,
W. N. Church,
J. D. Cook,
} *Committee.*

Report on Orphanage was read by Elder C. S. Farthing and spoken to by W. H. Calaway, D. S. Lee, B. F. Wilcox, C. S. Farthing J. M. Payne, and adopted.

REPORT.

The Baptist of North Carolina should be proud of their Orphanage at Thomasville. There we have a large number of children, without father or mother, being cared for and trained, looking to us for food and clothing. We should remember that our own children may soon be left orphans and need a home. The doors of the children's home at Thomasville stand open to us, and as the ministering to orphans is taught in the Bible to be pure religion and undefiled before God; it is a golden opportunity we have to help clothe and feed the children. We advise all our churches to have services on Thanksgiving Day, and take collections for the Orphanage.

C. S. Farthing, W. H. Calaway, G. W. Brown, *Com.*

Report on Pastoral Support was read by J. F. Church, and after remarks by W. N. Church, D. S. Lee, R. L. Wagner, J. F. Church, W. S. Greene, John W. Hendrix, Thos. L. Day, was adopted.

REPORT.

We believe it to be the duty of the members of the churches to contribute liberally of their means to the support of their pastors, so as to enable them to devote their time to the study and preaching of the Word; for the Scriptures teach that they that preach the Gospel should live of the Gospel. Jesus said, the workman is worthy of his hire. We believe the members of the churches should be taught to give as the Lord has prospered them, not grudgingly or of necessity for the Lord loveth a cheerful giver. If we sow sparingly we shall also reap sparingly.

J. F. Church, R. H. Pipes, W. H. Calaway, W. T. Vandyke, *Com.*

On motion, The Association, taken a public collection for a Bro. Elbert Greene, who is sick, amounting to $3.46. Elder John F. Eller preached at the stand.

On motion, adjourned to meet Thursday at 9,o'clock a. m. and spend one half hour in prayer services conducted by Elder B. F. Wilcox. Benedictory prayer by C. S. Farthing.

THIRD DAY, Thursday, Sept. 29th 1910.

Met according to adjournment, and spent one half hour in Devotional Services conducted by Elder B. F. Wilcox, by reading Rev. 1st chapter, and leading in prayer.

The Moderator called the association to order.

Extended an invitation to Correspondents and Visitors; Bro. Wm Elrod from Three Forks Association accepted a seat.

Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

Report on Education was read by D. S. Lee, and spoken to by Elders D. S. Lee and C. S. Farthing and adopted.

REPORT.

Education is the training of the mind and heart for the best possible service and, we the committee on Education, recommend that we as Baptist people should make a strong effort to e d u c a t e our children, and we recommend that the people take more interest in the Public Schools than a great many do, then we recomend the higher schools for advanced training. We recomend that the young minister strive to get a good education, as the educated rising generation will demand ministers of education as well as with morals.

We also recommend that the Sunday Schools get all the little folks in the Sunday Schools, and select teachers for them that will take pains in teaching them, as it is a good start for them in education for both heart and mind. We as Baptists, must look to the importance of educating our children that they may be qualified to fill places of importance for God and humanity.

Respectfully submitted.

C. M. Critcher, B. F. Wilcox, *Committee.*

Report on Sunday Schools was read by B. F. Wilcox, and spoken to by Elder B. F. Wilcox and Bro. J. W. Hendrix and adopted.

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT.

The Sunday School is often called the teaching service of the church, the place where instructions are offered from God's Holy Word, in which both saint and sinner are invited to participate.

The Sunday School should be operated and controlled by the church. The Bible is good literature within itself and should be used in connection with our own denominational literature. We believe that the preachers of our association should preach Sunday-schools to their congregations, and get parents interested, who seemingly are dormant, in order that children may be reached. Far around them is thrown a predominating influence which in many instances will determine their course in life, and fix their destiny in the world to come.

Signed, James E. Greene, B. F. Wilcox, J. W. Harrison, *Com.*

The General Managers of Sunday School work, reported that the Sunday School work is advancing in interest. The report was adopted, and Bros. Thos. L. Day and G. W. Gragg, the present managers, were continued.

Report on Correspondence was read by Elder D. S. Lee and adopted.

REPORT.

To the Three Forks Association: Thos. L. Day, J. W. Harrison; Brushy Mountain: R. L. Wagner, W S Greene; Ashe County: B F Wilcox, Z T Watson; Alleghany: Edmond Greene G W Gragg;

Caldwell county: N S Hampton, J F Church. The Association, authorized all, who visit sister associations, to report themselves correspondents.

Corresponding messengers reported favorably.

Report on Finance was read by Bro. R L Wagner, and adopted.

REPORT ON FINANCE.

Received for Minutes,	$13.67
Received for Orphanage,	18.36
Received for State Missions,	1.65
Received for Foreign Missions,	1.00
Total Received,	$34.68.

Respectfully,

R. L. Wagner, J. F. Church, *Com.*

Report of Treasurer, was read by the Clerk and adopted.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Received from the Association, last year, as follows:

Minute Fund	$12.37
Orphanage Fund	7.85
Foreign Mission Fund	.95
Old Ministers' Relief Fund	.50
Obituary Fund	.50
Rec'd from New River church for Minutes since asso.	.65
Public collection at association for State Missions	2.65
Total Received,	$25.17

Paid for Minutes, Mailing, and Stationery,	$9.40	
Paid to Orphanage	7.85	
Paid to Walters Durham for State and Foreign Missions, and Old Ministers' Relief,	3.80	
Paid Clerk for Services,	4.12	
Total paid out		$25.17

Respectfully,

Wm. M. Lee, *Treasurer.*

On motion adjourned one hour for dinner.

Moderator called the association to order. On motion, appointed Wm. M. Lee Treasurer, and to superintend printing these minutes.

Report on State of the Churches was read by Elder N. S. Hampton, and adopted.

REPORT ON STATE OF THE CHURCHES.

Your Committee find that 12 churches report 57 by baptism, 2 churches report no Baptisms: 9 churches report, received by letter 25; 5 churches report none received by letter: one church reports 1 restored; 13 churches report none restored: 10 churches report Dis-

missed by letter 43; 4 churches report none Dismissed by letter: 5 churches report 11 exclusions; 9 churches report no exclusions: 5 churches report 6 deaths; 9 churches report no deaths: 14 churches report 1,177 membership: 11 churches, last year, reported 932 membership: 5 churches report for State Missions $6.93; 9 churches report nothing for State Missions: 1 church reports $1.65 for Home Missions; 13 churches report nothing for Home Missions: 1 church reports $1.50 for Foreign Missions; 13 churches report nothing for Foreign Missions: 9 churches report for Orphanage $25.07; 5 churches report nothing for Orphanage: 11 churches report for Pastors' Support $254.08; 3 churches report nothing for Pastors' Support: one church reports for building expenses $252.00: 3 churches report other expenses $43.20: 10 churches report Sunday-Schools, with an average attendance of 418; 4 churches report no Sunday Schools.

Respectfully Submitted,

N. S. Hampton, J. G. Story, *Committee.*

Report on Resolutions was read by Elder N. S. Hampton, and adopted.

REPORT.

Resolved, That this Association tender its thanks to the Brethren, Sisters, and Friends of Laurel Fork Church and community for their kind hospitality during this session of the Association.

Respectfully submitted.

N. S. Hampton, W. S. Greene, Noah Winkler, *Com.*

REPORT ON TIME, PLACE, AND PREACHER

was read by Bro. J. F. Church and adopted.

We appoint the next Association to be held with Mt. Vernon Church, on Tuesday after the First Sunday in October 1911, at 11 o'clock, a. m., Elder D. M. Wheeler to preach the Introductory Sermon, and Elder B. F. Wilcox, alternate.

Respectfully submitted,

J. F. Church, J. W. Harrison, D. L. H. Layell, R. L. Wagner, *Com.*

Elder N. S. Hampton, who volunteered at aur last association to visit New Hopewell Church, made the following report, viz:

1st. I found them destitute of a pastor, and had been for some time, but they seemed to be very anxious for development.

2nd. They are almost destitute of a house of worship.

3rd. I beg to recommend that the association make an effort to help this church, in some way, for the best.

Respectfully, N. S. Hampton.

On motion, taken up a collection to aid New Hopewell Church in paying a minister to preach for them this year, and to report at next association. The collection amounted to $1.36, which was paid over to Elder N. S. Hampton.

On motion, The Association adjourned to meet at time and place appointed. After singing, talks were made by Elders J. M. Payne and C. S. Farthing. The Association sung "How firm a foundation" and prayers were led by Elders J. M. Payne and C. S. Farthing and an old-fashioned hand-shaking closed the Forty ninth Session of the Stony Fork Baptist Association.

THOS. L. DAY, Moderator.

WM. M. LEE, Clerk.

Sunday School Table.

Churches.	Superintendent	Secretaries	Post Offices.		No. Enrolled.	Average Attendance.	Contributions to Orphanage	Paid for Literature.	
Boones Fork	P E Herman	.....	Kelsy,	N.C.					Smallpox stopped school.
Doe Ridge	Edmond Greene	Bessie Brown,	Zionville,	N.C.		22			Good school.
Elk	F. A. Dula	W. A. Proffit,	Elkville,	N.C.					Very good school.
Middle Cane	Lee Minton	Thos. Payne,	Middle Cane,	N.C.	50	25		1.00	
Mt. Vernon	J. W. Harrison,	Claud Elrod,	Boone,	N.C.	114	66		7.98	
Mt. Ephraim	N. G. Wheeler	Joe Wheeler,	Bamboo,	N.C.	50	35		2.50	
Mt. Paran	Thos. Miller,	Jacob Miller,	Stony Fork,	N.C.	34				
New River	W. H. Phillips	Grover Gilley	McGuire,	N.C.	75		$1	2.50	
Poplar Grove	R. L. Maltba	Nettie Hankler,	Boone,	N.C.	32	23			
Stony Fork	R.L. Wagner, Ast. G. C. Greene	A. L. Hendrix	Stony Fork,	N.C.	126	67		4.52	
Watauga	C L Coffey	.....	.....						Very good school.
Yellow Hill	A. G. Beshears	Mrs. S. J. Church,	Summit,	N.C.		80	$1	5.09	

Statistical Table.

CHURCHES	Ordained Ministers.	Licentiates.	PASTORS.	CLERKS	POST OFFICES	Church Days.	Received by Baptism	Received by Letter.	Restored.	Dismissed by Letter.	Excluded.	Deceased.	Total Membership.	Minute Fund.	Mission Fund	Orphanage Fund.	Paid Pastor.	Other Expenses.
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Boones Fork			No Pastor	J F Gragg	Blowing Rock, N.C.	2				1			39	.50	6.00	6.00	10.00	
Doe Ridge	1		N S Hampton	G B Foster,	Boone "	4	3	2					40	.50				
Elk			D M Wheeler	F L Dula	Elkville "	3	3						58	.70			27.40	
Laurel Fork			J M Payne	J G Story	Blowing Rock "	1	1	2		1	1	2	94	1.40		2.00	25.00	
Mt. Vernon			J M Payne	Thos L Day	Blowing Rock	1	1	1		3	1	1	196	2.00	4.00	6.10	65.12	8.20
Mt. Ephraim	2	1	D M Whee'er	Joe Wheeler	Bamboo "	2	9	2	1	1	3	1	82	.90			21.15	252.00
Mt. Paran		1	M D Miller	Allen Watson	Stony Fork	1	1	1				1	25	.50				
Middle Cane	1		W N Church	J R Hodges	Middle Cane "	3	2	5		2			37	1.00		1.50	8.00	
New Hopewell			N S Hampton	L E Gragg	Gragg	2						1	71	.50				
New River	1		B F Wilcox	Z T Watson	McGuire "	1	14	5		3			61	.50	1.00	2.11	11.86	11.00
Poplar Grove	1		C S Farthing	R L Maltba	Moody	4		1		3	3		81	1.00	1.10	1.16	12.36	
Stony Fork	1		I C Miller	R L Wagner	Stooy Fork "	2	7		1	22		1	179	1.90	2.30	5.00	40.00	24.05
Watauga			C S Farthing	J M H Porch	Foscoe	3	8	4		4	3		109	1.07		1.25	12.00	
Yellow Hill	3	1	Wm M Lee	H L Church	Summit "	3	8			4	1		144	1.50	20.00	5.60	18.87	
Totals,	14.	8	5				60	25	2	44	12	7	1177	13.67	35.30	30.12	249.76	295.25

Have just received this

Minutes

of The

Fiftieth Annual Session

—— OF THE ——

Stony Fork
BAPTIST ASSOCIATION,

—HELD WITH—

MT. VERNON CHURCH,

Watauga County, N. C.

OCTOBER 3rd. 4th, and 5th,

1911.

MODERATOR, THOS. L. DAY. Blowing Rock, N. C.
CLERK, WM. M. LEE, Summit, N. C.

The next Session will be held with the Church at Poplar Grove, about three miles west of Boone, Watauga County, N. C., on Tuesday after the the third Sunday in October, 1912, at 11 O'clock, A. M.
B. F. Wilcox to preach the Introductory Sermon;
N. S. Hampton, Alternate.

Will H. McGuire's Print, Brookside, N. C.

OFFICERS AND PREACHERS;

Thos. L. Day, Moderator, Blowing Rock, N. C.
Wm. M. Lee, Clerk, Summit, N. C.

GENERAL MANAGERS OF SUNDAY SCHOOL WORK:

Thos. L. Day, Blowing Rock, N. C.
G. W. Gragg, Blowing Rock, N. C.

ORDAINED MINISTERS:

Church, W. N.
Church, John Wm.
Greene, Edmond.
Hampton, Noah S.
Wilcox, B. F.
Lee, Wm. M
Wheeler, D. M.

LICENTIATES:

Brown, G. W.
Brown, A. M.
Greene, W. S.
Kendall, L. L.
Layell, D. L. H.
Miller, M. D.
Miller, Thomas.
McGuire, J. G.
Norris, J. G.

Watauga Co., N. C.
Mt. Vernon Church, Oct. 3rd, 1911.

Proceedings.

The Stony Fork Baptist Association met with the Mt. Vernon Church in its 50th annual session, on Tuesday, Oct. 3rd. 1911 After singing by the Mt. Vernon Choir, Elder D. M. Wheeler read from Isa. 3d chapter, and Elder B. F. Wilcox led in prayer.

Elder D. M. Wheeler preached the Introductory Sermon from Matt 5 :16. Taken recess until 1 o'clock, P. M.

At 1 o'clock P. M., the Delegates were called to order by the Moderator of last year. Elder E M Gragg led in prayer.

The Delegates handed in the associational letters, and Brethren R. L. Wagner and T. L. Critcher read the letters from the churches represented, and the names of the Delegates enrolled as follows:

Boones Fork—J F Church, J C Church, A H Dula
Doe Ridge—G W Brown, A M Brown, R E Killian.
Elk — W T Land, T L Dula, Z G Norris.
Laurel Fork—J D Harrison, L P Hodges, W C Craig,
Mt. Vernon—G W Gragg, J W Harrison, Thos L Day.
Mt. Ephraim—John Cook, J P Cook, J J Wheeler.
Mt. Paran—Allen Watson, Thomas Miller, Jacob Miller.
Middle Cane—William Minton, John Hendrix, John R Hodges.
New Hopewell—R Z Coffey, D O Gragg, L E Gragg.
New River—B F Wilcox, R M Phillips, C C Phillips.
Poplar Grove—Joe Greene, Noah Winkler, Stuart Hodges.
Stony Fork—W H Miller, R L Wagner, J D Cook.
Watauga—Not Represented.
Yellow Hill—Wm M Lee, Wm Beshears, H H Church.

Proceeded to elect Officers. Elders J. M. Payne and I. C. Miller served as Tellers, who reported Thos. L. Day, Moderator, and Wm. M. Lee, Clerk.

Invited Correspondents and Visitors; Elder I C Miller and Bro. R H Pipes, from Caldwell County; Elders C S Farthing, E M Gragg, J M Payne, John Crisp, from Three Forks Associations accepted seats

Extended Invitation to Churches wishing to unite with this association. None present.

On motion empowered the Moderator and Clerk, to appoint all necessary Committees, and the following were appointed, viz:

On Devotional Exercises— The Delegates and Pastor of Mt. Vernon Church.

Order of Business— R. L. Wagner, D. M. Wheeler, H. H. Church, with Correspondents, Visitors, and Moderator and Clerk.

Resolutions— N S Hampton, W T Land. and I C Miller.

Sunday Schools— J W Harrison, G W Brown, John W Hendrix, and R H Pipes.

Orphanage— R E Killian, Noah Winkler, C S Farthing.

Education— B F Wilcox, J D Cook, R H Pipes.

Temperance— James Wheeler, J A Greene, N S Hampton.

State Missions— Lee Coffey, J C Bowles, C S Farthing.

Home Missions— E M Gragg, D L H Layell, John Crisp.

Foreign Missions— J M Payne, H Stuart Hodges, James P Cook, Wm M Lee.

Periodicals— I C Miller. R M Phillips, B F Wilcox.

Correspondence — N S Hampton, L E Gragg, J G Story.

Finance— R L Wagner, T L Critcher.

State of the Churches— D M Wheeler, N S Hampton, B F Wilcox

Pastoral Support— John C Bowles, H H Church, R H Pipes, J H Brown.

Place and Preacher— John Cook, Thomas Miller, J W Harrison, H H Church.

Committee on Devotional Exerciser reported that Elder I. C. Miller will preach Wednesday at 11 o'clock, a. m., and Eld. John Crisp will preach at 2 o'clock, p.m.

Bro. T. L. Critcher announced homes for the Delegates and visitors.

On motion adjourned to meet Wednesday at 9 o'clock A. M., and spend one-half hour in Devotional Services. conducted by J. M. Payne

Benedictory prayer by C. S. Farthing.

SECOND DAY, Wednesday, Oct. 4th, 1911.

Met according to appointment and engaged in Devotional Services Singing by the choir and congregation. Elder John Crisp conducted the services by reading the 103d Psalm, and Elders John Crisp and G. H. Brown led it prayer.

Called the roll and marked absentees.

Read Report on Order of Business, which was adopted.

Read Minutes of yesterday, which were adopted.

Extended Invitation to Correspondents and Visitors; none present

Read Rules of Decorum and Articles of Faith. Report on Periodicals was read by B. F. Wilcox, and spoken to by Elders I. C. Miller and B. F. Wilcox, and adopted.

REPORT.

We believe that the keeping of good Literature in the home is of great advantage to Christian morality, and we urge our Baptist people to make a greater effort in the future to educate our children in the Bible, as we recommend its teaching far above any other Literature. Next is good and Christian papers, such as the Biblical Recorder, Charity and Children, etc., so as to eradicate the trashy and worthless Teachings of bad Literature from the minds of them. We believe it to be a mistake to allow our children to read and meditate upon the many and poisonous papers that find their way into our homes. R. M. Phillips, I. C. Miller, B. F. Wilcox, Committee.

On motion, State, Home, and Foreign Missions were read separately and discussed together.

Report on State Missions was read by C. S. Farthing.

Report on Home Missions was read by E, M. Gragg.

Report on Foreign Missions was read by J. M. Payne.

The three reports were discussed by C. S. Farthing, J. M. Payne, R. H. Pipes, John Crisp, G. W. Brown, and adopted.

REPORT on STATE MISSIONS.

State Missions is the giving the gospel to all the people of our State. While a large majority of the people of our state are Baptist, there are many of our people who never hear a Missionary Baptist preach. We earnestly advise every member of all our churches to prayerfully consider their duty to the State Board in giving the gospel to their people who are being deluded by other people.

Respectfully Signed, J. C. Bowles, C. S. Farthing, W. L. Coffey, } Committee.

REPORT on HOME MISSIONS.

Our Home Mission work is doing a great deal of good, and we would say there is room for a greater work. Our Home Mission work, last year reported more than eleven thousand baptisms. We would insist that all our churches would lay this work to heart and give liberally so that we might do a greater work for our Master.

E. M. Gragg, John Crisp, D. L. H. Layell, Committee.

REPORT on FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Baptist Churches acknowledge the supreme authority of Jesus Christ. His word with us is final. He has given to the churches, in the great commission, their marching orders for all time. His command to preach the gospel to every creature has never been changed We cannot be loyal to Him and hold lightly this royal command.

The field of every Baptist Church is the world. He said go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature. Mark 16: 15. We therefore recommend that every church in this association be asked to make an offering to Foreign Missions.

J. M. Payne, Wm. M. Lee, James Cook, Committee.

On motion adjourned for dinner, and sermon by Eld. John Crisp.

After dinner Elder John Crisp preached from part of the 14th chapter of Luke. His theme was: the "dinner," the "supper," those which were bidden, and their excuses. At the close of the sermon

there was a touching farewell hand-shaking with Brother Crisp, and a collection was taken amounting to $7.85. After which the Moderator called the Association to order.

The Report on Temperance was read by N. S. Hampton, and spoken to by N. S. Hampton and others.

REPORT.

Believing as we do, that the churches are largely responsible for the morals of the country, we feel it our duty to do all we can to suppress every agency that promotes immorality. The devil has many agencies, and among them is strong drink, against which prohibition has set itself, and we are advised by the leaders of this movement, that we have reached a crisis in the work; we therefore ask all Christians to be faithful and the victory is ours. Let us keep in mind that the distillery, the brewery, and the saloons, are all weapons in the hands of satan to aid in dragging the people down to hell. We should be glad if we could impress all christian people, and all others too, of the alarming danger along the line of the increasing violation of the Prohibition Laws, and we earnestly plead, and recommend that all churches put forth their strongest efforts in suppression of the evils of intemperance in all its forms.

Respectfully submitted.

N. S. Hampton, J. A. Greene, J. J. Wheeler, Committee.

The Report on Orphanage was read by C. S. Farthing and discussed by him and others, and approved.

REPORT on ORPHANAGE.

The Baptist Orphanage at Thomasville is a home for children who are left without father or mother to care for them. The door to this home stands wide open for the reception of any of our children who may be thus unfortunate, and as some of them are so liable, to, very soon, need the care of this home, we urge the Deacons of all the churches to press the claim of this home upon all their members.

Respectfully submitted, Noah Winkler, R. E. Killian, C. S. Farthing, } Committee.

The Report on Pastoral Support was read by R. H. Pipes, and spoken to by him and others, and adopted.

REPORT.

We believe it to be the duty of the members of the churches to contribute liberally of their means to the support of their pastors, so as to enable them to devote their time to the study and preaching of the gospel, for the Scriptures teach, that they that preach the Gospel should live of the Gospel. Jesus said "the workman is worthy of his hire." We believe the members of the churches should be taught to give liberally of their means as the Lord has prospered them,— not grudgingly nor of necessity, for the Lord loveth a cheer ful giver. If we sow sparingly, we shall reap sparingly.

Jont H. Brown, R. H. Pipes, J. C. Bowles, H. H. Church, Com.

Committee on Devotional Exercises reported that Elder C. S. Farthing will preach Thursday at 10 o'clock a. m., and Eld. E. M. Gragg will preach at 1 o'clock, P. M. J. M Payne, Chairman.

On motion adjourned to meet Thursday at 9 o'clock A. M., and spend one-half hour in prayer service, to be conducted by Elder B.F. Wilcox. Benedictory prayer by C. S. Farthing.

THIRD DAY, Thursday, Oct. 5th, 1911.

The Association met according to adjournment and engaged in prayer services conducted by Elder B. F. Wilcox, reading 86 Psalm, and leading in prayer.

Extended Invitation to Correspondents and Visitors. Elders, J. J. L. Sherwood and J. H. Farthing, from Three Forks; and Bro. J. H. Cook, from Holston Associations accepted seats.

Report on Education was read by R. H. Pipes, and discussed by R. H. Pipes, J.J.L. Sherwood, C. S. Farthing, J.H. Farthing and adopted.

REPORT.

Education is said to consist of three things: the training of the head, hand and heart. No one with an untrained mind can cope with the problems of life which he daily comes in contact with. You must educate the child in order to train it for the duties of life, otherwise they will be poorly done. After the mind is trained, the child has only taken the first step. Now you must train hand in order to do the work conceived in the mind. But above all, the heart must be educated if the person is worth the work. In the first place we have the intellect developed: the second is the knowing how, why, where and when: but the third is the work of the Christian teacher, whose work is second only to the preaching of the Gospel.

We should urge our people to give attention to the first two, but especially would we urge on our Baptist people the importance of the third, that of training the heart; or, better, Christain Education. An educated person is useful: an educated Christain is doubly useful Not that education makes a Christain, but a christain more useful.

Our Institutions are second to none. Wake Forest, and Meredith Colleges are the pride of our people. Men and women from these institutions have the high distinction of thorough preparation wherever they go. Alongside with these colleges we have a class of preparatory schools of which we are justly proud. No one need go without an education who has energy. We urge our people to patronize our schools. Ministerial education is on the upward grade, we are glad to say, yet there is room for more and greater improvements along this line. Brethren, let our watchword be Educate the Masses.

J. D. Cook,
B. F. Wilcox,
R. H. Pipes,
} Committee.

The Report on Sunday Schools was read by R. H. Pipes and spoken to by J. W. Harrison and R. H. Pipes and adopted.

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT.

Sunday School work among Baptists, was never more hopeful. It is far from what it ought to be, but there are many reasons for encouragement. In 1905, we had 1,741 churches with 1,290 Sunday schools, with 104,534 pupils. This year we will report about 1,915 churches, nearly 1,990 Sunday schools, and 175,000 to 180,000 pupils. About 140 churches have no Sunday schools, but we have over 100 branch, or mission schools. About 500 Sunday schools close for the winter. A vigorous effort ought to be made to keep these open next winter.

The Sunday school is an institution in the hands of the church to aid in bringing the people to Christ. It is for all—old and young—

and we believe it is the duty of all who can to attend it. It not only brings them closer, but keeps them closer to Christ.

J. W. Harrison, G. W. Brown,
R. H. Pipes, J. W. Hendrix, } Committee.

Adjourned for sermon by Elder J. J. L. Sherwood, and dinner. Prayer by Elder E. M. Gragg.

After dinner the Moderator called the Association to order.

The Report of the General Managers of the Sunday School Work, was read by the Moderator, and spoken to by Bro. R.L. Wagner, and adopted.

REPORT.

I think that the Sunday School work is progressing, but there is room for more vigorous work on all of our part; so let us press forward. Bro. Middleton was at Mt. Vernon Church last March, and held a meeting of one day in the interest of Sunday Schools, and I have had some correspondence with him on the Sunday School work.

Thos. L. Day Chairman.

On motion the present Managers, Thos. L. Day, and G.W. Gragg were continued.

Report on Correspondence was read by N.S. Hampton and adopted.

REPORT.

1st To go to the Three Forks Association: Bro. Thos L. Day, and Elder B. F. Wilcox.

2nd Brushy Mountain Association: Elder Wm. M. Lee, and Bro. H. H. Church.

3rd Ashe County Association: Bro. Z. T. Watson, and Elder D. M. Wheeler.

4th Alleghany & Grayson County Association: Bro. H. H. Church and Elder John Wm. Church.

5th Caldwell County Association: Elders G. W. Brown and Edmond Greene.

Respectfully Submitted,
N. S. Hampton, L. E. Gragg, J. G. Story, Committee.

Correspondents reported for last year and were discharged.

On motion the Moderator and Clerk were appointed Delegates to the Baptist State Convention.

Report on Finance was read by R. L. Wagner and adopted,

REPORT.

Received from the Churches the following, viz:

For Old Ministers' Relief,	$ 1.00	
" Minute Fund,	13.63	
" Foreign Missions, T L Blalock,	6.61	
" Orphanage,	17.16	
" Obituaries,	2.00	
" State Missions,	3.68	$44.08

We recommend that the Clerk be allowed $5.00 for having printed, mailing and other expenses in distribution of these Minutes.

T. L. Critcher, }
R. L. Wagner, } Committee.

Treasurer's Report was read by the Clerk and adopted.

REPORT of TREASURER.

Received from the Association last year:

Minute Fund,	$13.67	
Orphanage Fund,	18.36	
State Missions Fund,	1.65	
Foreign Missions Fund,	1.00	
Total Received,	$34.68	
Paid for Printing, Stationery, and Mailing,		$ 8.67
" Orphanage,		18.36
" State Missions,		1.65
" Foreign Missions,		1.00
" Clerk,		5.00
Total paid out,		$34.68

Respectfully,

Wm. M. Lee, Treasurer.

The Report on the State of the Churches was read by N. S. Hampton, and adopted.

REPORT.

Your Committee find that 10 churches report 70 by Baptism, 3 churches report no baptisms; 8 churches report received by letter 20, 5 churches report none received by letter; 6 churches report 13 restored, 7 churches report none restored; 11 churches report dismissed by letter 41, 2 churches report none dismissed by letter; 6 churches report 13 exclusions, 7 churches report no exclusions; 7 churches report 13 deaths, 6 churches report no deaths; 13 churches report 1,068 membership; 14 churches reported last year 1,177 membership; 4 churches report for State Missions $24.20, 9 churches report nothing for State Missions; Nothing reported for Home Missions; 3 churches report for Foreign Missions $6.61, 10 churches report nothing for Foreign Missions; 5 churches report for Orphanage $17.53, 8 churches report nothing for Orphanage; 1 church reports for Old ministers' Relief $1.00, 12 churches report nothing for Old Tinisters' Relief; 3 churches report $31.85 paid to the poor, 10 churches report nothing paid to the poor; 11 churches report for Pastors' support $293.05, 2 churches report nothing paid for Pastors' support; 2 churches report for building expenses $234.40, 3 churches report other expenses $31.61; 8 churches report Sunday Schools, with an average attendance of 365, 5 churches report no Sunday Scoools; 2 Sunday schools report fo Orphanage $5.15; 1 Sunday school reports for obituaries $2.00; 7 Sunday schools report for Literature $30.15. Respectfully Submitted,

N. S. Hampton, D. M. Wheeler, B. F. Wilcox, Committee.

Report on Resolutions was read by N. S. Hampton, and adopted.

REPORT on RESOLUTIONS.

Resolved: 1st That this Association tender its Heart felt thanks to the Brethren, Sisters, and Friends of the Mt. Vernon Church and community for their kind hospitality during this session of the Association. Respectfully Submitted.

W. T. Land, I. C. Miller, N. S. Hampton, Committee.

On motion a special Resolution relative to the Inter-State Com-

merce act was adopted.

RFPORT.

Whereas, under Federal regulations inter-state shipments of intoxicating liquors are delivered to the consignee before the State can have jurisdiction of the same, and whereas, by this arrangement the State is seriously hampered in carrying out its policies relative to the traffic of intoxicative liquors, and

Whereas, we believe the State should have full control under its police powers over all liquors within its borders, whether domestic or inter-state, therefore

Be it resolved: That we hereby declare ourselves in favor of such action by Congress of the United States, as will guarantee to the States the fullest jurisdiction over all intoxicants consigned to them from the time they enter the State, and to this end, we request the Members of Congress, both in the Senate and House, from this State, to support such legislation as is contemplated by the Miller—Curtice Bill (H. R. 23641 and S. 7528) now pending in Congress.

Report on Time, Place and Preacher was read by J. W. Harrison and adopted.

REPORT.

We appoint the next Association to be held with Poplar Grove Church on Tuesday after the Third Sunday in Octobrr 1912., at 11 o'clock, a. m. Elder B. F. Wilcox to preach the Introductory Sermon, and Elder N. S. Hampton Alternate.

Respectfully Submitte',

J.W. Harrison, H. H. Church, Thomas Miller, Com.

On motion, granted a letter of Dismission to Stony Fork Church.

On motion, instructed the Clerk to have the Obituaries from Yellow Hill Sunday School printed in these Minutes, the Sunday School paying for the printing.

The Report of the Work at New Hopewell was read by N. S. Hampton, and adopted.

REPORT.

I have made eiget trips to New Hopewell since last association, and seven of the eight I have supplied an arm from New Hopewell Ch. at Little school house about five miles from New Hopewell church. I held a revival service of twelve days and nights at New Hopewell, and eight days and nights at Little school house. The Church received by experience 16, and 12 were baptized. The Church and school have a nice house nearly completed, but are short with the contractor about sixty to seventy dollars, besides what is promised. The house is costing four to five hundred dollars when completed.

The nearest churches of any denomination are 6½, 8, to 15 miles.

I have travelled, going to, and from, about 460 miles. I have received from New Hopewell $27.84, and from the arm at Little school house, $13.20, from the association last year, $1.36, and from R. L. Wagner, 25 cents. Total, $42.65.

Respectfully, N. S. Hampton.

The association adjourned to meet with Poplar Grove Church on Tuesday after the third Sunday in October 1912, at 11 o'clock, A.M.

Elders C. S. Farthing and J. H. Farthing conducted the closing service by delivering touching talks and both leading in prayer. Af-

ter which the congregation engaged in an old-fashioned hand-shaking, and the Benediction was announced by the Clerk. Thus closed one of the best, if not the best, sessions of the Stony Fork Baptist Association.

WM. M. LEE, Clerk. THOS. L. DAY. Moderator.

Sunday School Table.

CHURCHES.	SUPT.	SECR'TARY	P. O.	Number Enrolled.	Average Attendance.	Contributions to Orphanage	Paid for Literature &c.
Boone's Fork,							
Doe Ridge,	T. B. Foster	Bessie Brown,	Boone, N. C.	25			
Elk							
Middle Cane,							
Mt. Vernon,	J. W. Harrison	Mrs. Grace Cook	Boone, N C.	114	65		7.24
Mt. Ephraim,	James Wheeler	Joe Wheeler,	Bamboo, N C.	60	40		2.00
Mt. Paran,							
New River,	W. H. Phillips.	W. L. Byland,	McGuire, N C.	61	42	4.15	3.00
New Hopewell,	L. E. Gragg.	Grayson Gragg	Gragg, N C.		35		3.31
Poplar Grove,	Joe Greene.	Surveis Layell,	Moody, N C.	45	28		5.00
Stony Fork,	R. L. Wagner.	A. L. Hendrix,	Stony Fork, N C.	75	65		4.00
Watauga,							
Yellow Hill,	A. G. Beshears.	A. T. Lee,	Summit, N C.		65	1.00	7.60

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							0								$.ct	$.ct	$.ct	$.ct	$ .cts
Boones Fork			E. M. Gragg.	J. F. Gragg,	Blowing Rock,	N C	2							42	.50				
Doe Ridge	1	2	N.S.Hampton.	T B Foster,	Boone,	N C	4	3	6		4	1	1	42	.75			16.53	
Elk		2	D M Wheeler.	F L Dula,	Elkville,	N C	3	4	1	3	2		1	33	.50			12.35	
Laurel Fork			J M Payne.	J G Story,	Blowing Rock	N C	1	3	3		1		2	94	1.10		2.20	25.00	
Mt Vernon			J M.Payne.	Thos L Day	Blowing Rock	N C	1	6		3	7	1	3	194		6.22	7.91	74.31	8.20
Mt Ephraim	2	1	D M Wheeler.	Joe Wheeler,	Bamboo,	N C	2	14	3		3	2	1	93	1.05			20.00	175.00
Mt. Paran		1	Wm M Lee.	Allen Watson	Stony Fork,	N C	1			2	2			22	.50				
Middle Cane			W N Church.	Jno R Hodges	Stony Fork,	N C	3	20			2		2	49	.77			15.00	
New Hopewell			N S Hampton.	L E Gragg,	Gragg,	N C	2	12	1	1	5	3	2	80	1.10			41.04	5.60
New River	1		P H Haire.	Z T Watson,	McGuire,	N C	3		1	3	5			60	65	2.50	3.00	12.42	6.16
Poplar Grove		1	E M Gragg.	P M Winkler,	Moody,	N C	4	4	3		2	3		90	18.50			11.40	
Stony Fork		1	I C Miller.	A A Hamby,	Stony Fork,	N C	2	1		1	8	3		169	2.02	19.59	2.71	40.00	28.25
Watauga														100					
Yellow Hill	3	1	Joe Houck.	H L Church,	Summit,	N C	3	3	2				2	130	1.50		1.75	25.00	59.40

Obituaries.

It is with sad hearts we note the death of our sister Nancy E. Phillips, wife of Hoy Phillips, daughter of H. H. and Catharine Church. She was born Apr. 1st 1885., and died Oct. 1st 1907., her age was 22 years and six months. She professed a hope and joined the Church at Yellow Hill, Dec. 1894., at the age of 9 years. She lived a devoted christian life until death. She was married to Hoy Phillips, Jan. 19th, 1902, which union was blessed with two sweet babes one girl and one boy. The little girl, at the age of two years, passed over the River of Death before her mother, who seemed to have so much desire to go with little Enice, but it pleased God to let her stay about two years longer, then in His wisdom He taken her to stay with her little girl, that was singing the sweet praises of God around the happy Throne in glory. She seemed to catch the sweet music just before she breathpd her last breath. Her mother was standing by her bed, and she said listen mother, listen at that pretty music. Mother said I can't hear anything Nancy, and she said hold your ear to mine and you can hear it, but it was not for mother to hear. She said she heard twelve different kinds of the prettiest music that she ever heard, and in a few minutes after she heard the sweet music she fell asleep in the arms of Jesus. She never struggled a time but just went to sleep. She is sleeping in the arms of Jesus with her sweet babe and many loved ones. It seems that her greatest request was, that her dear brothers and sisters meet her in Heaven where there would be no more death nor pain, neither sorrow, crying nor parting, but where all would be glory all the time. She leaves a husband, and sweet baby boy eleven months old, a father mother, five brothers and five sisters to to mourn their loss. It seems the loss is so great, but we feel satisfied that our loss is her great gain. She was raised in the Sabbath School, and attended her church meetings when she possibly could. She was a good soldier to fight for the cause of the Master. There was never a stain against her christian character, and she died in the Field of Battle fighting for the Lord.

Asleep in Jesus, blessed sleep from which none ever wake to weep,
A calm and undisturbed repose, unbroken by the last of foes.

By her Sister, Sallie Kees.

IN MEMORY OF CHARLES B. BESHEARS.

Charles B. Beshears, son of H. L. and L. A. Beshears, was born June 3rd 1899, and died August 8th 1908. He is greatly missed in the home, and in the Sunday School. God has called him to that blessed Home on high,—to that ever bright Sunday School, where his troubles are o'er.

MEMOIR of a SUNDAY SCHOOL STUDENT.

The Subject of this Obituary, William Moody Beshears, was born July 23rd 1899, and died December 12th 1909, being 10 years, 4 mos and 19 days of age. He was a son of A. E. and N. E. Beshears. He was always a good obedient boy; he was mild and pleasant, and always met everybody with a charming smile. He was a favorite in the home, and especially of his papa and mama. He was a lover of the Sunday School, and he was a member of the Card Class in the Yellow Hill Sunday school. He wanted to be in his class every Sun-

day. He was so attentive, so apt to learn, and such a good boy that he received a New Testament from the Sunday School, which he prized so highly, and thought so much of his cards, that he took good care of them. He was quite peaceable, and always wanted to keep out of little troubles, but he could not stay with us, the lovely child was so afflicted that he had the tender care of Physician, Parents, and other Relatives and Friends, until he breathed his last, and fell asleep in the arms of the blessed Savior. He is over on the other shore, waiting, and watching, and beconing for loved ones to come

There's a time that is coming, and it won't be very long,
Till we meet Little Moody in the Happy Throng,
He's in the Sunday-school in Heaven where all is Light and Love,
Prepare Dear Loved Ones, to meet him, in that Home Above.

OBITUARY of MAGGIE BESHEARS.

Whereas the Supreme Ruler of the Universe has seen wise in His divine Providence, to call from this earth our beloved sister Maggie Beshears, wife of Joseph Beshears, daughter of Levi and Alice Tomlinson. She was born Jan. 1st 1886, married to Joseph Beshears, Dec. 25th 1904, and deceased May 7th 1911. Maggie was a member of the Yellow Hill Baptist Church, living a consecrated christian life.

A husband and three children survive her. She was a Sunday school student from childhood. We bow in humble submission to the will of Him who makes no mistakes, commend her to the loving care of the blessed Savior, who has prepared a place for Maggie. And her going before to await our coming, we pray, will make our hearts go out more to Him, as we feel assured that she is waiting and watching, in the beautiful Land, for those she left behind.

She's gone fron this cold world of care.
This world of woe and bitter tears.
And reached the realms of Bliss we trust.
Henceforth to dwell among the just.
The Friends who loved her well while here,
Prepare to meet her over there
Where Friends no more will parted be,
But spend with Christ Eternity.

By J. W. Church.

Directory of the Stony Fork Baptist Association.

OFFICERS.

THOMAS L. DAY, Moderator, Blowing Rock, N. C.
WM. M. LEE, Clerk, and Treasurer, Summit, N. C.

Thos. L. Day and G. W. Gragg General Managers of Sunday School Work.

ORDAINED MINISTERS:

Brown, G. W.	Greene. Edmond.	Miller, M. D.
Church, W. N.	Hampton, Noah S.	Norris, J. G.
Church, John Wm.	Lee, Wm. M.	Wilcox, B. F.
	Wheeler, D. M.	

LICENTIATES:

Brown, A. M., Kendall, L. L., McGuire, J. G., Miller, Thomas.

Proceedings.

Boone, Watauga County, N. C., Oct. 22nd., 1912.

THE STONY FORK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION met in its Fifty-first Annual Session with Poplar Grove Baptist Church on Tuesday October 22nd 1912.

Elder B. F. Wilcox read part of the 10th chapter of Matt., "How firm a foundation" was sung, and Elder E. M. Gragg led in prayer.

Elder B. F. Wilcox preached the Introductory Sermon fram Matt. 11: 4.

Taken a recess until 1 O'clock, P. M.

At 1: 30 O'clock, P. M. the Delagates were called to order by the Moderator, Thomas L. Day, and Elder C. S. Farthing led in prayer.

The Associational Letters were handed in by the Delegates, and Elder B. F. Wilcox, and Bro. J. C. Church read the letters, and the names of Delegates were enrolled as follows:

Boones Fork— J F Church, J C Church.
Doe Ridge— Edmond Greene, G W Brown.
Elk— Represented by Letter since the Association.
Laurel Fork— W D Ashley.
Mt. Vernon – J W Harrison, Thos L Day.
Mt. Ephraim— D M Wheeler.
Mt. Paran— Thomas Miller.
Middle Cane— John W Hendrix.
New Hopewell— Linney Coffey.
New River— B F Wilcox, R M Phillips.
Poplar Grove— Noah Winkler, Joe Greene, P M Winkler.
Watauga— S P Townsend, G W Shook, G C Coffey.
Yellow Hill— Wm M Lee, John Wm Church.

Proceeded to elect officers: Elders C. S. Farthing and J. M. Payne served as Tellers, who reported Thomas L. Day Moderator, and Wm M. Lee, Clerk.

Invited Correspondents and Visitors to seats; Elders C. S. Fathing, John Crisp, J. M. Payne, and E. M. Gragg from Thee Forks Association accepted seats.

Extended Invitation to Churches wishing to unite with this Association. None present.

On motion empowered the Moderator and Clerk to make all Temporary appointments, and they announced the following committees:

On Devotional Exercises,—The Pastor and Delegates of Poplar Grove Church.

On Order of Business,— D. M. Wheeler, J F Church, B F Wilcox Edmond Greene, C S Farthing, John Crisp, with the Moderator and Clerk.

Resolutions,— J W Church, C S Farthing, J A Greene.

Sunday Schools,— J W Harrison, A L Coffey, Z T Greene.

Orphanage,— J F Church, W D Ashley, P M Winkler.

Education,— B F Wilcox, J C Church, John Crisp.

Temperance,— Calvin Coffey, Noah Winkler, Thomas Miller.

State Missions,— D M Wheeler, G W Shook, S P Townsend.

Home Missions,— E M Gragg, John W Hendrix, G W Brown.

Foreign Missions,— R M Phillips, D M Wheeler, J H Presnell.

Periodicals,— J A Greene, C C Coffey, Edmond Greene.

Correspondence,— J M Payne, J F Church, Z T Greene.

Finance,— J C Church, Z T Greene.

Pastoral Support,— G W Brown, J W Harrison, G W Shook.

Place, Time, and Preacher,— G W Shook, J W Church.

Committee on Devotional Exercises reported that Elder John Crisp preach Wednesday at 11 o'clock A. M., and Elder C. S. Farthing at 2 o'clock, P. M.

Elder E. M. Gragg announced homes for the Delegates and visitors. On motion adjourned to meet Wednesday at 9 o'clock, A. M., and spend one half hour in prayer service, conducted by Elder Edmond Greene. Benedictory prayer by J. M. Payne.

SECOND DAY, Wednesday, Oct. 23rd 1912.

The Association met according to appointment and engaged in Devotional Services; after singing, Elder Edmond Grene read the 17th chapter of John and Bro. Thomas Miller led in prayer.

Called the Roll and marked absentees.

Read Report on Order of Business, which was adopted.

Read Minutes of yesterday, which were adopted.

Extended Invitation to Correspondents and Visitors: Bro. J. H. Presnell, from Three Forks Association accepted a seat.

Report on Periodicals was read by J. A. Greene, and adopted

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

We believe in pressing upon the minds of our people, and especially our Sunday School teachers, the use of Baptist Literature, and we advise the use of the Biblical Recorder, and that it be kept and read in all our homes, also Charity and Children, so as to keep trashy literature and worthless teachings from our children's minds. We believe it to be a mistake to allow our children to read and study the many poisonous papers which find their way into our homes.

Respectfully submitted, J. A. Greene, G. C. Coffey, Edmond Greene, } Committee

On motion; State, Home, and Foreign Missions reports were read separately and discussed together.

Report on State Missions was read by D. M. Wheeler.

REPORT on STATE MISSIONS.

State Missions is the giving the gospel to all the people of our State. While the large majority of the professional part of the people of our State are Baptist, there are many of our people who never heard a Missionary Baptist Preacher preach. We earnestly advise every member of all our churches to prayerfully consider their duty to the State Board, in giving the Gospel to our people who are being deluded by other people.

Respectfully signed, D. M. Wheeler, G. W. Shook, S. P. Townsend, } Committee.

Report on Home Missions was read by E. M. Gragg.

REPORT on HOME MISSIONS.

Dear Brethren the time for our work is short, we have Brethren who are making a great sacrifice for the spread of the Gospel, and we are doing very little. Why should we allow others to be burdened and we at ease? Let us pray over the matter and try to do more than we have here-to-fore. After we have done what we can, there will be many of our people lost. *The Master calls for us.*

E. M. Gragg, G. W. Brown, John W. Hendrix, Committee.

Report on Foreign Missions was read by J. H. Presnell.

REPORT on FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Baptist Churches acknowledge the supreme authority of Jesus Christ. His word with us is final. He has given to the churches, in the great commission, their marching orders for all time. His command to preach the Gospel to every creature has never been changed. We can never be loyal to Him and hold, lightly this loyal command. The Field of every Baptist church is the world. He said, go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature Mark 16: 15. We therefore recommend that every church in this

Association be asked to make one offering to Foreign Missions.

D. M. Wheeler, R. M. Phillips,
J. H. Presnell, } Committee.

The three Reports were discussed by D. M. Wheeler, G. W. Brown E. M. Gragg, C. S. Farthing, B. F. Wilcox, Clerk, and Moderator, and adopted.

On motion adjourned to hear Elder John Crisp preach, who preached from Rev. 14: 13., after which a bountiful dinner was served in the school house.

At 2 o'clock, P. M., after beautiful heart-touching singing by the class, the Moderator called the Association to order. At this time Bro. J. C. L. Hays, from the Caldwell County Association accepted a seat in our Association.

The Report on Temperance was read by G. L. Coffey, and spoken to by C. S. Farthing, Thomas Miller, G. W. Brown, E. M. Gragg, and adopted.

TEMPERANCE REPORT,

Brethren let us do all we can to put down drinking intoxicating drinks of any kind. We think it our duty to keep drink from our men and boys, for men and boys are a terror to a good cause when they are drunk. We should be temperate in all things. Also we ought to insist on our officers to enforce the law, and by their help, with the association's help, we can keep it down to a great extent.

Respectfully,

G. C. Coffey,
Thomas Miller, } Committee.

The Report on the Orphanage was read by J. F. Church, and spoken to by J. F. Church and the Clerk, and adopted.

REPORT on the ORPHANAGE.

The Baptist Orphanage at Thomasville, is a home. A Home for children who are left without father or mother to care for them. The doors of this Home stand wide open for the reception of any of our children who may be thus unfortunate, and as some of them are so liable to very soon need the care of this Home, we urge the Deacons of all the churches to press the claim of this Home upon all their members. Respectfully submitted,

J. F. Church, P. M. Winkler, W. D. Ashley, Committee.

Report on Pastoral Support was read by C. S. Farthing, and spoken to by G. W. Brown, G. C. Coffey, and the Moderator. Adopted.

REPORT on PASTORAL SUPPPRT.

We believe it to be the duty of church members to contribute liberally of their means to the support of their Paitors, so as to enable them to study and preach the Gospel. Jesus says the workman is worthy of his hire. Respectfully,

G. W. Shook, J. W. Harrison, G. W. Brown, Committee.

The report on Education was read by B. F. Wilcox, and discussed by B. F. Wilcox, and C. S. Farthing, and adopted.

REPORT on EDUCATION.

Education is of great concern to any people, and especially to a

Christian country. Therefore your committee urges that we as Baptists avail ourselves of every possible opportunity to educate our children if we expect them to fill places of eminence, and cope with this advanced age. Brethren, support and build up your home schools, which, doubtless, are neglected to some extent. We endorse the Training School at Boone, and our State Institutions of Learning. We believe that our teachers should give some time in the school room for the *study of God's word, for no education is complete without a knowledge of the Bible.* Submitted.

J. C. Church, John Crisp, B. F. Wilcox, Committee.

Report on Sunday Schools was read by Z. T. Greene, and spoken to by J. C. L. Hays, John Crisp, Edmond Greene, and adopted.

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT.

We believe the Sunday School is an institution in the hands of the church to aid in bringing the people to Christ, and it is the duty of all who can to attend it. It has been said that out of one hundred and forty-eight murder cases, only six ever attended Sunday School. We recommend that all churches keep an ever-green Sunday-school.

Respectfully, Z. T. Greene, J. W. Harrison, Linney Coffey, } Committee.

Report on Correspondence was read by J. F. Church and adopted.

REPORT on CORRESPONDENCE.

To Three Forks Association: Elders Edmond Greene, and B. F. Wilcox; To Brushy Mountain: Elder Wm. M. Lee, and Bro. H. H. Church; To Ashe County: Elder N. S. Hampton, and Bro. Thomas Miller; To Alleghany & Grayson: Elders J. W. Church, and B. F. Wilcox; Caldwell County: Elder D. M. Wheeler, and Bro. J. F. Church. Respectfully submitted, J. C. L. Hays, J. F. Church, } Committee.

Report on Devotional Exercises was read by E. M. Gragg. Elders C. S. Farthing will preach Thursday at 11 o'clock, A. M., and Edmond Greene at 2 o'clock, P. M.

Report on Finance was read by Z. T. Greene and adopted.

REPORT on FINANCE.

Received from the churches the following:

Minute Fund - - - -	$11.83
Orphanage " - - - -	9.16
State Missions - - - -	3.90
Foreign Missions - - - -	2.50
Old Ministers' Relief - - -	.25
Total Received, - -	$27.64

Respectfully; Z. T. Greene, J. F. Church, } Committee.

On motion adjourned to meet Thursday at 9 o'clock A. M., and engage in prayer service conducted by Elder B. F. Wilcox.

Benediction by C. S. Farthing.

THIRD DAY, Thursday, Oct. 24th, 1912.

Met at 10 o'clock, A. M., and the Poplar Grove singing class sang

some beautiful sweet songs, and B. F. Wilcox read the 5th ceapter of 1st Peter, and led in prayer.

The Moderator called the Association to order.

Correspondents for last year reported.

The Clerk read Treasurer's Report which was adopted.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Received from the Association last year:

Minute and Obituary Fund		$15.63
Orphanage	"	17.57
State Mission,	"	3.68
Foreign Mission,	"	6.61
Old Ministers' Relief	"	1.00
Total Received,		$44.49

Paid for Printing, Stationery, and Mailing,	$10.63
Paid Orphanage,	17.57
Paid State Missions,	3.68
Paid Foreign Missions,	6.61
Paid Old Ministers' Relief,	1.00
Paid Clerk	5.00
Total Paid out,	$44.49

Respectfully,

Wm. M. Lee, Treasurer.

On motion appointed the Clerk, Treasurer, and to superintend the printing and distribution of the minutes, and to allow him $5.00 for his services.

Report on Resolutions was read by C. S. Farthing, and adopted.

REPORT on RESOLUTIONS.

Whereas the Poplar Grove Church has undertaken to build a church house, that will be, when completed, an honor to the Stony Fork Association in years to come, and as the speedy completion of this house will be a great burden on this church;

Reslved, That it is the sense of this body, that every church in this Association, should at once raise a liberal amount of assist in the speedy completion of this house.

Resolved further, That we extend to all the people, in the neighborhood of poplar Grove Church, our sincere thanks for their kind entertainment during our stay among them.

C. S. Farthing, }
J. A. Greene, } Committee.

Report on Place, Time, and Preacher was read by B. F. Wilcox, and adopted.

REPORT on PLACE, TIME, and PREACHER.

Resolved, That the next Association meet with Watauga Church, on Tuesday after the second Lord's day in September, 1913 at 11 o' clock, A. M., Elder Edmond Greene to preach the Introductory sermon, Elder Noah S. Hampton Altertate.

J. Wm. Church, }
G. W. Shook, } Committee.

At this time the class sang a beautiful song, and Elder C. S. Farthing read the 53rd chapter of Isaiah, and preached from John 14:27.

The closing talks were made by Elders John Crisp, J. M. Payne, and the Clerk. We engaged in singing "How firm a foundation," and an old-time hand-shaking. The Moderator led in prayer, and Elder E. M. Gragg announced the benediction, which closed the 51st session of the Stony Fork Association.

WM. M. LEE, Clerk. THOS. L. DAY, MODERATOR.

Sunday School Table

CHURCHES.	SUPT.	SECRETARY.	P. O.	Number Enrolled.	Average Attendance.	Contributions to Orphanage	Paid for Literature.
Boone's Fork	W. G. Coffey	John F. Coffey,	Blowing Rock N C	83	40		1.50
Doe Ridge	T. B. Foster.	Bessie Brown,	Boone, "	25			
Elk							
Middle Cane		J. W. Hendrix,	Stony Fork "	60	41		2.00
Mt. Vernon	J. W. Harrison	Florence Elrod,	Blowing Rock "	109	55		5.57
Mt. Ephrain	J. J. Wheeler	Dellia Wheeler,	Bamboo, "	58	35		3.32
Mt. Paran							
New River	R. M. Phillips	Miss Ada Wilcox,	McGuire, "	68	52		3.00
New Hopewell	L. E. Gragg	Linney Coffey,	Gragg, "		35		7.48
Poplar Grove	Noah Winkler	Nettie Winkler,	Moody "	59	30		1.60
Watauga	S. M. Hodges	Radford Townsend,	Banners Elk "	86	45		2.50
Laurel Fork	H. M. Story	J. G. Story,	Blowing Rock, "	60	40		1.75
Yellow Hill	H. H. Church	A. T. Lee,	Summit, "		82	2.00	4.93
Totals, 11.				583	440	2.00	33.65

Statistical Table

CHURCHES	Ordained Ministers.	Licentiates.	PASTORS.	CLERKS.	POST OFFICES		Church Days.	Received by Baptism.	Received by Letter.	Restored.	Dismissed by Letter.	Excluded.	Deceased.	Total Membership.	Minute Fund.	Mission Fund.	Orphanage Fund.	Paid Pastor.	Other Expenses.
Boone's Fork			E. M. Gragg	J. F. Gragg,	Blowing Rock,	NC	2	11	4	4	0	0	0	63	.75	18.10		26.12	
Doe Ridge,	2	1	D. M. Wheeler	T. B. Foster	Boone,	"	1	3	4	1				43	.50	8.33		13.00	
Elk		1	J. R. J. Annas	F. L. Dula,	Elkville,	"	3					*2		30	.40		.35		
Laurel Fork			J. M. Payne	J. G. Story,	Blowing Rock,	"	1	17		1	2	1	1	106	1.50	1.65	1.45	49.89	7.50
Mt. Vernon			J. M. Payne	Thos. L. Day,	Blowing Rock	"	1	10	3	4	13	3		195	1.75	5.00	2.50	69.78	8.20
Mt. Ephraim	4		D. M. Wheeler	Joe Wheeler	Bamboo	"	2	8	8	2	3	1		110	1.00		1.00	30.05	85.00
Mt. Paran		1	Claud Carlton	Allen Watson	Stony Fork	"	1	4					1	27	.75			15.00	200.00
Middle Cane			W. N. Church	J. W. Hendrix	Stony Fork	"	3	5	2		12		1	39	1.00			62.48	
New Hopewell			N. S. Hampton	L. E. Gragg,	Gragg,	"	2	21		4		2		102	1.00				
New River	1		P. H. Haire	R. M. Phillips	McGuire,	"	3	2			3	2	2	51	.75	†1.50	7.40	20.77	
Poplar Grove			E. M. Gragg	P. M. Winkler	Moody,	"	4	9	2			2	1	101	1.00		1.11	26.40	
Watauga			N. S. Hampton	Rad. Townsend	Banner's Elk	"	3	7				13	3	77	.75		.75		
Yellow Hill	3	1	J. Wm. Church	H. L. Church	Summit,	"	3					13		115	1.08	8.00	.25		
Totals,	13.	10	4					97	23	16	33	39	9	1059	12.23	42.58	14.81	313.49	300.70

*The 2 joined a church of different faith.

† The $1.50 was contributed by Elder B. F. Wilcox and wife.

Directory of the Stony Fork Baptist Association.

OFFICERS.

THOMAS L. DAY, Moderator, Blowing Rock, N. C.
N. S. HAMPTON, Clerk, and Treasurer, Blowing Rock, N. C.

Thomas L. Day, and G. W. Gragg, General Managers of Sunday School Work.

ORDAINED MINISTERS:

Brown, G. W.	Greene, Edmon.	Miller, M. D.
Church, W. N.	Hampton, N. S.	Norris, J. G.
Church, J. W.	Hendrix, J. T.	Wheeler, D.M
Carlton, C. C.	Lee, Wm. M.	Wicox, B. F.
	Layel, D. L. H.	

LICENTIATE:

Brown, A. M. Kendall, L. L.

Proceedings.

Banners Elk, R. F. D. 1, Watauga county, N. C.,
September 16th, 1913.

The Stony Fork Baptist Association met in its Fifty-second Annual Session with Watauga Baptist Church on Tuesday Sept. 16th, 1913. Elder N. S. Hampton read part of the fourth chapter of Second Timothy, and G. W. Brown led in prayer.

Elder N. S. Hampton preached the Introductory Sermon from second Timothy 4: 12.

The Deligates were called to order by the Moderator, Thomas L. Day, and Elder D. L. H. Layel led in prayer.

The Associational Letters were handed in by the Delgeates, and Bro. J. F. Church and Elder N. S. Hampton read the letters, and the names of Delegates were enrolled as follows:

Boones Fork—J. F. Church, J. C. Church.
Doe Ridge— G W Brown, John Hodges.
Elk— Represented by letter since association.
Laurel Fork— W L Green.
Mt. Vernon— Thos L Day.
Mt. Ephraim— D M Wheeler, N S Hampton.
Mt. Paran— Not Represented.
Middle Cane— Represented by letter since the association.
New River— Represented by letter since the association.
New Hopewell— L E Gragg, Linney Coffey.
Poplar Grove— Noah Winkler, D L H Layel, P M Winkler.
Rock Springs— W H Keys.
Watauga— W C Coffey, A C Calloway, G W Shook.
Yellow Hill— Wm M Lee.

Proceeded to elect officers. Bros. L. L Wood and W. J. Yarber, acting as tellers, who reported Thomas L. Day Moderator, and N. S. Hampton Clerk.

Invited Correspondents and Visitors to seats: Bro. L. L. Wood, from Catawba Association, accepted a seat.

Extended an invitation to churches wishing to unite with this association. Rock Springs Church presented a letter from the Blue Ridge Baptist Association; also a letter from their church, and was accepted.

On motion empowered the Moderator and Clerk to make all temporary appointments, and they announced the following Committees:

On Devotional Exescises,— J F Church, Pastor and Delegates of Watauga Church.

On Order of Business,— D M Wheeler; G W Brown, J F Church W L Green, Simon Townsend, with Moderator and Clerk.

Resolutions,— J C Church, D L H Layel, R A Hartley.

Sunday Schools,— L E Gragg, John Hodges, Wm M Lee.

Orphanage,— J F Church, G W Brown, G W Rowe.

Education,— L E Gragg, Simon Townsend, Wm M Lee.

Temperance,— A C Calloway, W H Keys, G W Rowe.

State Missions,— E M Gragg, D M Wheeler, W C Coffey,

Home Missions,— L L Wood, L M Hodges, J P Barlow.

Foreign Missions,— D L H Layel, E M Gragg, J R Perrie.

Periodicals,— L E Gragg, J M Payne, Thos Townsend, W J Yarber.

Correspondence,— J F Church, G W Shook, L M Hodges, D M Wheeler.

Finance,— J C Church, Simon Townsend.

Pastoral Support,— L M Hodges, L L Wood, W L Green.

Place, Time, and Preacher,— D M Wheeler, J F Church, W H Keys.

Committee on Devotional exercises reported that Elder D M Wheeler preach Wednesday at 11 o' clock A. M.

Elder N. S. Hampton announced homes for the delegates and visitors.

On motion adjourned to meet Wednesday at 9 o'clock A. M. and spend one half hour in prayer services, conducted by Elder G. W. Brown. Sang "How firm a foundation."

Benedictory prayer by D. M. Wheeler.

SECOND DAY, Wednesday, Sept. 17, 1913.

THE Association met according to appointment and engaged in devotional services; after singing, Elder G. W. Brown read the 55th chapter of Isaiah, and Elder D. M. Wheeler led in prayer.

The Moderator called the association to order. The Delegates

from Yellow Hill Church handed in letter and 2 obituaries.

Called the roll and marked absentees.

Read report on Order of Business, which was adopted.

Read Minutes of yesterday, which were adopted.

Extended invitation to correspondents and visitors,—Elder E. M. Gragg, and Bros. G. W. Rowe, and L. M Hodges, from Three Forks association, and Bro. R. A. Hartley from Stony Fork association, accepted seats.

Report on Sunday-schools was read by L. E. Gragg, and spoken to by J. F. Church, L. L. Wood, D. M, Wheeler, Wm. M. Lee, and adopted.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

We believe that Sunday School is an institution in the hands of the Church, to aid in bringing our people to Christ, and it is the duty of all to attend Sunday-school. It is said that most of the crime committed is done by people not raised in Sunday school.

We urge that all our churches have an evergreen Sunday-school.

L. E. Gragg, Wm. M. Lee, John Hodges, Committee.

Report on Pastoral Support was read by L. M. Hodges, and spoken to by J. F. Church, L. L. Wood, T. L. Day, and adopted.

REPORT on PASTORAL SUPPORT.

We beleive it a duty of each and every church member to give liberally of their means which the Lord has given them, to the support of their Pastors, as to enable them to study and preach the Gospel in its purity.

Respectfully submitted.

L. M. Hodges, L. L. Wood, W. L. Green, Committee.

Report on Temperance was read by G. W. Rowe, and spoken to by G. W. Rowe, N. S. Hampton, and Wm. M. Lee, and adopted.

REPORT on TEMPERANCE.

Brethren let us do all we can to put down intoxicating drinks of any kind. We think it our duty to keep drink from men and boys for they are a terror to a good cause when they are drunk.

We should be temperate in all things; also, we ought to insist on our officers to enforce the law, and by their help, and the association's, we can keep it down to to some extent.

G. W. Rowe, W. H. Keys, A. C. Calloway, Committee.

On motion adjourned to hear Elder D. M. Wheeler preach.

The Class, led by J. C. Church, sang beautifully, "I want to go there."

Prayer by Elder E. M. Gragg. D. M. Wheeler preached an interesting sermon from Mathew 16:24, after which a bountiful dinner was served.

At 2 o'clock p. m., after beautiful heart touching singing by the class, the Moderator called the association to order. J. M. Payne led in prayer.

Poplar Grove Delegates handed in a letter, which was read.

At this time Elder J. M. Payne from Three Forks association accepted a seat in our association.

Report on Periodicals was read by L. E. Gragg, and spoken to by J. M. Payne, and adopted.

REPORT on PERIODICALS.

We believe in pressing upon the minds of our people, and especially our Sunday School teachers, the use of Baptist literature.

We advise that religious papers be kept in the homes of our people so that the children can read them instead of reading trashy, poisonous, literature that is liable to get into our homes against our will.

L. E. Gragg, A. T. Townsend, W. J. Yarber, J. M. Payne, Com.

The Committee on devotional exercises report that this after noon at 3 o'clock, Elder E. M. Gragg preach at the stand; and on tomorrow at 11 o'clock A. M , Elder J. M. Payne, and Elder Wm. M. Lee at the close of the association.

Report on Correspondence was read by L. M. Hodges and adopted.

REPORT on CORRESPONDENCE.

To Three Forks Association,— Edmon Green, N. S. Hampton.

To Brushy Mountain,— Wm. M. Lee, and H. H. Church.

To Ashe Association,—Thomas Miller, D. M. Wheeler.

To Alleghany and Grayson,— J. W. Church, B. F. Wilcox.

To Caldwell County Association,—D. M. Wheeler, T. L. Day.

To Avery County Association,— L. M. Hodges, J. F. Church, and G. W. Shook.

G. W. Shook, D. M. Wheeler, J. F. Church, L. M. Hodges, } Com

Report on Education was read by L. E. Gragg, and spoken to by Wm. M. Lee, J. M. Payne, and T. L. Day, and adopted.

REPORT on EDUCATION.

Education is of great concern to any people, and especially to a Christian country, therefore your committee urges, that as Baptists, we avail ourselves of every opportunity to educate our children, if we expect them to fill places of prominence and cope with this advanced age. We believe some time ought to be spent in our public schools in the study of God's Word, for no education is complete without a knowledge of the Bible.

L. E. Gragg, S. P. Townsend, Wm. M. Lee, } Committee

Report on Orphanage was read by J. F. Church, and was spoken to by J. F. Church, D. M. Wheeler, and others, and adopted.

REPORT on ORPHANAGE.

The Baptist Orphanage at Thomasville is a home, a home for the children who are left without father or mother to care for them.

The doors of this home stand wide open for the reception of any of our children who may be thus unfortunate; and as some of them are liable very soon to need the care of this home, we insist upon

our Deacons to press the claim of this home upon all our members; also insist upon our pastors to urge this matter to all their churches

J. F. Church, G. W. Brown, G. W. Rowe, Committee.

State, Home, and Foreigh Mission Reports were read separately, and discussed together. D. M. Wheeler read the

REPORT on STATE MISSIONS.

State Missions is giving the gospel to all the people of our State. While the large majority of the professed part of the people of our State are Baptist, there are many of our people who never heard a missionary Baptist preacher preach.

We earnestly advise every member of all our churches to prayerfully consider their duty toward the cause of Christ, and aiding the State Mission Board in giving the gospel to our people who are being deluded by other people.

D. M. Wheeler,
E. M. Gragg,
W. C. Coffey. } Committee.

Report on Home Missions was read by L. M. Hodges.

REPORT on HOME MISSIONS.

We believe that we should do a great work for Home Missions. We believe that all churches should take up collections, and advise the Sunday Schools to take up collections for the spread of the gospel in the United States, and our possessions. There are many States in the Union where our Baptist cause is hardly known. Foreigners are continually coming into our beloved country, and as they come, they must be Christianized, or we will be lowered as a Christian nation. "How shall we escape if we neglect so great salvation, which at first began to be spoken by the Lord, and was confirmed unto us by them that heard Him?"—Heb. 2: 3. Respectfully submitted.

L. M. Hodges, L. L. Wood, J. P. Barlow, Committee.

Report on Foreign Missions was read by E. M. Gragg.

REPORT on FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The Lord has said go into all the world, and preach the gospel to to all. We plead, and pray to the Lord for help, and should let our means go with our prayers, for there is work for all to do, and by doing all we can, we can make, by the help of the Lord, the heathen land Emanual's land

E. M. Gragg, D. L. H. Layel, Ruffin Berry, Committee.

The three reports were spoken to by E. M. Gragg, J. M. Payne, Wm. M. Lee. A letter was read from T. L. Blalock in China, and and adopted.

Report of Treasurer of last year was read by Wm. M. Lee and adopted

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR 1912 and 1913.

Received from the association at its session in 1912:

Minute Fund,	$ 12.63.	Paid for Minutes & Mailing	$7.63
Orphanage,	9.51.	Paid Orphanage,	9.51
State Missions,	3.90.	Paid State Missions,	3.90
Foreign Missions,	2.50.	Paid Foreign Missions,	2.50
		Paid Clerk,	5.00
Total received,	$ 28.54.	Total paid out,	$ 28.54

Respectfully, Wm. M. Lee, Clerk & Treasurer.

Report on Finance was read by J. C Church, and adopted.

REPORT on FINANCE.

Received from the churches as follows :

Minute Fund,	$ 11.40
Orphanage,	2.58
State Missions,	2.50
Foreign Missions, to T. L. Blalock,	2.50
Obituary,	1.00
Total,	$ 19.98

J. C. Church, S. P. Townsend, Committee.

On motion appointed the Clerk Treasurer, and to superintend the printing of the minutes, and allow him five dollars for his services.

Correspondents of last year reported.

On motion adjourned to meet Thursday at 9 o'clock A. M. and engage in prayer services, conducted by E. M. Gragg.

Benediction by J. M. Payne.

THIRD DAY, THURSDAY SEPT. 18, 1913.

Met according to appointment and engaged in Devotional exercises.

Elder E. M. Gragg read ten verses of the 103 Psalm. J. M. Payne led in prayer.

Read rules of Decorum and abstracts of principles.

T. L. Day, one of the General Managers of the Sunday School work, reports as follows :

The Sunday School work of the State is hopeful. There seems to be a steady, healthful growth. Since 1905, we have grown from 1,290 schools to 1,920 in 1912; a gain of 631 or 49 percent in seven years. Mere numerical growth, however, is not necessarily indicative of success. We find more general interest in the cause than formerly. Schools are improving their organizations as well as enlarging their membership. Many are training their teachers in the Sunday School Board's training courses. Churches are building class-rooms or using curtains to improve their equipment.

Report on Resolutions was read by J. C. Church, and adopted.

REPORT on RESOLUTIONS.

Whereas, The Poplar Grove Church at Moody, N. C., has undertaken to build a Church house that will be, when completed, an honor to the Stony Fork Association in years to come, and the speedy completion of this house will be a great burden on this church:

Resolved, That it is the sense of this body, that every church in this association should at once raise a liberal amount to assist in the speedy completion of this house.

We insist that the preachers of the Stony Fork association make a special study of the Word of God that they may be able to preach the Word of God in its purity and show themselves approved of God.

Resolved further, That we extend to all the people in the neighborhood of Watauga Church our sincere thanks for their kind entertainment during our stay among them.

J. C. Church, D. L. H. Layel, R. A. Hartly, Com.

Took up a collection for Poplar Grove church which amounted to $2.72.

Adjourned to hear Elder J. M. Payne preach.

The class sang beautifully, "Have I ever won a soul for Christ."

Elder J. M. Payne read eight verses of the 8th chapter of Mark, and preached an able and interesting sermon.

Benedictorial prayer by Elder E. M. Gragg.

At 2 o'clock P.M., after beautiful singing by the class, the Moderator called the association to order.

Report on Place, Time and Preacher was read by J. F. Church, and adopted.

REPORT on PLACE, TIME, and PREACHER.

The next annual session will be held with Mt. Ephraim Church, Watauga county, N. C., 8 miles East of Boone, N. C. commencing Tuesday after the second Sunday in Oct. 1914; The Introductory sermon to be delivered by Elder Wm. M. Lee, at 11 o'clock a. m.

Alternate, J. G. Norris.

J. F. Church, D. M. Wheeler, W. H. Keys, Committee.

Engaged in prayer with Elder E. M. Gragg for the spiritual uplift of this association and humanity.

Closing talks were made by Elder J. M. Payne, Moderator and Clerk.

At this time Elder Wm. M. Lee read part of the 40th chapter of Psalms, and preached an able and interesting sermon from Psalms 40:7 "Lo I come."

The class sang "He is coming again," and the association closed its fifty second annual session with a hand-shake and a general spiritual interest.

Benediction by Elder J. M. Payne.

N. S. HAMPTON, Clerk. THOS. L. DAY, MODERATOR.

Obituary of Nancy Green

Sister Nancy Greene was born June 27, 1853, and departed this life Jan. 18. 1913. Age 59 years 6 months and 21 days.

She was married to Doctor F. Greene on April 13, 1872.

This happy union was blessed with 5 births, 2 girls and 3 boys. Three children were raised, and survive their mother, 2 girls and 1 boy.

Sister Greene professed a hope in Christ in July, 1875, under the preaching of Father Larkin Hodges, at Stony Fork church, and she joined the church and was baptized into the fellowship of Stony Fork church in the year 1876. Later, she and her husband moved their membership to Yellow Hill church. The Yellow Hill church chose them for Deacon and Deaconess, in which office she served the church acceptable about 20 years. Her body was laid in the Yellow Hill Cemetery on the 20th day of Jan. 1913. Sister Greene is gone but not forgotten. Sister Greene will be remembered as a dutiful, loving, helpful and caretakeing wife, an effectionate loving

mother, one of the very best neighbors, ever ready to go and help in sickness or distress, or where necessity called.

The church will remember her as an ardent worker in the church, a leader, a guide, and when in service often realizing such impression of the Spirit that she would clap her glad hands and shout her Savior's praise, pleading with the lost to be saved.

The church will remember sister Greene's last visit to her church meeting, on Saturday Jan. 18th 1913; appearing to enjoy herself, and in usual health. She and Bro. Greene returned home from meeting, with two of Bro. Beshear's very small girls—sister Greene's grand children—with them. After the necessary evening work had been about completed, they gathered around the fire to warm, and sister Greene had only sat down when she fell over lifeless. Bro. Greene caught her and did all he could to revive her, but she never spoke, she was gone. She had told Bro. Greene some time before that she was ready to go when the call might come. Sister Greene answered the call, and is now in the Paradise of God, with her two little infants that had gone before, and where she can bask in the smiles of her blessed Redeemer, she loved so much while here with us. Let us all keep the time in mind, and look forward to it, when we shall see and hear sister Greene again.

Dear Brother Greene do not over-weep, for your heavy loss is her eternal gain and the separation will not be long.

Dear children and grand-children, weep not, but strive to comfort your hearts with the thought that mother and grand-mother is over in the Glory land, just watching, waiting, and beconing for you to come. May God's richest blessings rest upon all who are bereaved.

Now in the breath of prayer, may we say: Heavenly Father send thy Grace and consolation to all mourning people, bless, comfort, and guide the lonly husband, and let thy Grace comfort all the children and grand-children—all relatives and friends, and every loved one who has been made sad by this death. Help us all to consecrate our lives to Jesus Christ.

Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth: yea saith the spirit, that they may rest from their labors, and their works do follow them.

By Wm. M. Lee.

Obituary of Alice Tomlinson

Where as the Supreme Ruler of the universe has seen wise in his devine Providence to call from this earth our dear beloved sister, Alice Tomlinson, wife of Levi Tomlinson, daughter of Edmond and Martha Blackburn. She was born March 2ond 1861. Married to Levi Tomlinson Dec. 25th 1880, and died March 31st 1913.

Alice was a member of the Yellow Hill church, living a christian life for thirty-three years. She was 52 years and 39 days old, she

was the mother of 10 children, of which 2 have gone before mother. She leaves a husband, and eight children, and many friends to mourn their loss. She was so good in sickness, she is missed in the home, and by all her neighbors and friends. She was a good and affectionate wife, a kind and loving mother. We commend to the loving care of our dear Savior, and her going before to await our coming, we pray will make our hearts go out more to Him, as we feel that she is watching and waiting in the Paradise of God.

They have borne her to the church yard, and her casket placed in the tomb, she is sleeping peaceful slumber till the Resurrection morn.

By Winnie Mikeal.

Sunday School Table.

CHURCHES	SUPT.	SECRETARY & P. O.			Number Enrolled.	Average Attendance.	Contributions to Orphanage	Paid for Literature.	Other Objects
Boones Fork	J. F. Church	J. C. Church,	Kelsy,	N. C.	80	40		1.60	
Doe Ridge									
Elk									
Middle Cane	Lee Minton, J.Hendrix	Tom Payne,	Stony Fork	"					
Mt, Vernon	J. W. Harrison	Ina Elrod,	Blowing Rock	"		49	2.50	6.80	
Mt. Ephraim	M. D. Miller..	Vertie Johnson,	Triplett	"	52	35		1.25	
Mt. Paran									
New River	B. F. Wilcox.	Ethel Phillips,	McGuire,	"	59	30		2.50	
New Hopewell	L. E. Gragg,	Linney Coffey,	Gragg,	"		33		4.06	
Poplar Grove	P. M. Winkler.	Essie Maltba,	Moody,	"		40		.85	
Rock Springs									
Laurel Fork	H. M. Story	.....	Blowing Rock	"	30	25		4.00	
Watauga	L. M. Hodges.	R. H. Townsend,	Banner Elk	"	50	30		1.00	
Yellow Hill	H. H. Church.	A. T. Lee,	Summit,	"		59	2.78	6.76	1.50
					271	341	5 28	28.82	1.50

Statistical Table

CHURCHES	Ordained Ministers.	Licentiates.	PASTORS.	CLERKS.	POST OFFICES		Church Days	By Baptism	By Letter	Restored	By Letter	Withdrew Fellowship	Deceased	Total Membership	Minute Fund	Mission Fund	Orphanage Fund	Paid Pastor	Other Expenses
							Increase				Decrease								
Boones Fork			E. M. Gragg	J. C. Church,	Kelsy,	N. C.	2	4	3	0	0	0	2	67	.75	7.00	0.00	15.00	
Doe Ridge	2	1	D. M. Wheeler	T. B. Foster,	Boone,	"	1	1	2	2	10			35	.50			15.33	
Elk		1	C C Carlton, J T Hendrix	F. L. Dula,	Elkville,	"	3	9						39	.75			27.30	
Laurel Fork			J. M. Payne	J. G. Story,	Blowing Rock	"	1	1			2		4	101	1.20	5.15	1.58	41.60	
Mt. Vernon			J. M. Payne	Thos. L. Day,	Blowing Rock	"	1	7			5	1	1	195	2.30	5.00		65.02	8.20
Mt. Ephraim	4		J. T. Hendrix	Joe Wheeler,	Bamboo,	"	2	7	2			2		117	1.00			20.80	40.00
Mt. Paran			Not Represented																
Middle Cane			W. N. Church	Roy Minton,	Bamboo,	"	3	7		1			1	44	1.00			25.00	
New Hopewell			N. S. Hampton	L. E. Gragg,	Gragg,	"	2	2		1		4	2	100	1.35			38.50	
New River	1		B. F. Wilcox	R. M. Phillips,	McGuire,	"	4			1	2		1	49	.75	*1.50	2.35	7.87	
Poplar Grove	1		E. M. Gragg	P. M. Winkler,	Moody,	"	3					1		105	1.00		1.00	12.00	1000.00
Rock Springs	2		T. S. Robbins	J. A. Keys,	Darby,	"	1	4	2		5			55	1.00				
Watauga			N. S. Hampton	R. H. Townsend,	Banner Elk,	"	3	12	1		2		1	79	1.00			40.00	
Yellow Hill	3		J. W. Church	A. L. Church,	Summit,	"	3	2	2	1	3	1	3	110	1.30				10.85
	13	2					56	12	6		29	9	15	1106	13.90	18.65	4 93	308 42	1059.05

*The $1.50 was contributed by Eld. B F Wilcox & wife.

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Directory of the Stony Fork Baptist Association.

OFFICERS:

THOMAS L. DAY, Moderator, Blowing Rock, N. C.
WM. M. LEE, Clerk and Treasurer, Summit, N. C.

ORDAINED MINISTERS:

Church, W. N.	Greene, Edmond.	Miller, M. D.
Church, J. Wm.	Hampton, N. S.	Norris, J. G.
Carlton, C. C.	Hendrix, J. T.	Wheeler, D. M.
	Lee, Wm. M.	Wilcox, B. F.
	Layel, D. L. H.	

LICENTIATES.

Brown, A. M.	Miller, Thomas.	Kendall, L. L.

Proceedings

Mt. Ephraim Church, Watauga County, N. C.,
Tuesday, Oct. 13th 1914.

THE Stony Fork Baptist Association met in its Fifty-third Annual Session, with Mt. Ephraim Church, on Tuesday, Oct. 13th 1914.

After beautiful singing, led by Prof. Hampton, Elder Edmond Greene led in prayer.

Elder Wm. M. Lee read 2nd chapter of Ephesians, and Bro. J. F. Church led in prayer.

Elder Wm. M. Lee preached the Introductory Sermon from Matt. 28: 19, 20—Theme: The Church,—its Mission, and its Power.

After one hour's intermission, the people re-assembled, while the choir sang some sweet songs, and the Moderator of last year called the Association to order. Elder G. W. Brown led in prayer.

The Delegates handed in their Associational Letters, which were read by brethren J. F. Church and Wm. M. Lee, and the names of Delegates enrolled as follows:

Boones Fork—B. F. Wilcox, J. F. Church.
Doe Ridge—Edmond Greene, A M Brown.
Elk— F L Dula, L L Walsh.
Laurel Fork—W C Story, W L Greene.
Mt. Vernon—J W Harrison, W D Hampton.
Mt. Ephraim—J W Hays, James Wheeler, T A Cox.
Mt. Paran—Thomas Miller, Jacob Miller, S Watson.
Middle Cane—Lee Minton, T C Miller.
New Hopewell—Not represented.
New River—Not represented.
Poplar Grove—P M Winkler, T C Hodges.
Rock Spring—J A Keys.
Watauga—Calvin Coffey.
Yellow Hill—Wm M Lee, H L Beshears.

Proceeded to elect officers. Bros. J. M. Payne and J. L. Hayes acted as Tellers, who reported Thos. L. Day, Moderator, and Wm. M. Lee, Clerk. Invited Correspondents and Visitors to seats; Bro. Wm. Minton, Correspondent, and Rev. G. W. Brown, Visitor from Brushy Mountain; Bro. J. L. Hayes, and Rev. J. M. Payne, Correspondents from Three Forks; and Rev. D. M. Wheeler and Rev. N. S. Hampton, from Stony Fork Association, accepted.

Extended an invitation to churches wishing to unite with this association. None present.

On motion, empowered the Moderator, and Clerk, to make all temporary appointments during this session, and they announced the following committees:

On Devotional Exercises,—Pastor and Delegates of Mt. Ephraim Church.

On Order of Business,—J M Payne, Edmon Greene, J A Keys, J F Church, A M Brown, with the Moderator and Clerk.

Resolutions,—B F Wilcox, F L Dula, W D Hampton.

Sunday Schools,—J W Harrison, H L Beshears.

Orphanage,—P M Winkler, L L Walsh, Thomas Miller.

Education,—J L Hayes, Clingman Hodges, J F Church.

Temperance,—G W Brown, N S Hampton, J L Miller.

State Missions,—D M Wheeler, J M Payne, W L Greene, Smith Watson.

Home Missions,—M D Miller, Edmond Greene, P M Winkler.

Foreign Missions,—G C Coffey, B F Wilcox, James Wheeler.

Periodicals,—J W Hayes, T C Miller, William Minton.

Correspondence,—N S Hampton, Clingman Hodges, A M Brown.

Finance,—H L Beshears, G C Coffey, B F Wilcox.

Pastoral Support,—Lee Minton, J W Harrison, P M Winkler.

Place. Time, and Preacher,—J F Church, Thomas Miller, L L Walsh, Clingman Hodges, H L Beshears.

Committee on Devotional Exercises reported that Elders J. M. Payne preach Wednesday at 11 o'clock, A. M., and Edmond Greene at 2: 30 o'clock, P. M.

Elder D.M. Wheeler announced homes for the delegates and visitors

On motion adjourned to meet Wednesday at 9 o'clock, A. M. and spend one-half hour in prayer service, conducted by Elder Edmond Greene. Elder J. M. Payne announced the benediction.

SECOND DAY, Wednesday. Oct. 14th 1914.

The Association met as per adjournment, and engaged in prayer service conducted by Eld. Edmond Greene. The singing class, led by Bro. Amos Hampton, sang heart-touching songs, after which Elder Edmond Greene read the 5th chapter of Romans, and Elders M. D. Miller, and J. M. Payne each led in prayer.

The Moderator called the Association to order.

Called the roll and marked absentees.

Read the report of the Committee on the Order of Business, which was adopted.

Read minutes of yesterday, which were adopted.

Extended invitation to Correspondents and Visitors.

The Report on Sunday-schools was read by J. W. Harrison, and spoken to by Bros. J. W. Harrison, and J. M. Payne, and adopted.

REPORT on SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

We believe that Sunday School is an institution in the hands of the Church to aid in bringing our people to Christ, and it is the duty of all to attend Sunday-school, and to keep up an ever-green Sunday-school, and do a greater work for Christ, as we gather from the Minutes, the greatest per cent. of the members come through the Sunday-school.

J. W. Harrison, W. G. Story, H. L. Beshears, Com.

The Report on the Orphanage was read by P. M. Winkler, and spoken to by Bros. J. L. Hayes, J. F. Church, J. M. Payne, N. S. Hampton, D. M. Wheeler, T. L. Day, G. W. Brown, and Clerk, and adopted.

REPORT on ORPHANAGE.

The Baptist Orphanage, at Thomasville, is a home for the children who are left without father or mother to care for them. The doors of this home are wide open for the reception of any of our children who may be thus unfortunate, and as some of them are liable, very soon, to need the care of this home, we insist upon the Deacons to press the claim of this home upon all our members, also insist upon our Pastors to urge this matter to all their churches. We furthermore insist upon the Deacons to take up at least three collections during the year, for this cause.

Thomas Miller, P. M. Winkler, L. L. Walsh, Com.

Read Rules of Decorum and Articles of Faith.

On motion adjourned for preaching.

Eld. J. M. Payne preached a sermon of power, from Mark 8: 6.

The association took an intermission for dinner, which was spread in abundance.

After singing by the class, led by Bro. Amos Hampton, at the church organ, the Moderator called the association to order. Elder B. F. Wilcox led in prayer.

Bro. J. L. Hayes read the Report on Education, and remarks were made by Bros. Hayes and Payne, and the report was adopted.

REPORT on EDUCATION.

Education is of great importance to our people. The greatness of our Nation depends upon the education of the masses. The greatest assets of the American people, is their children. God has given them to us, and laid the stupendous responsibility on us for

their training. We are taught to bring them up in the way they should go, and they will not depart from it when they are old.

Your committee would urge that we as Baptist, avail ourselves of every opportunity to educate our people. We the Bptist Denomination, should measure up to the greatness of our opportunities, the greatness of our Denomination, and the efficiency of the churches in the hands of our Master, giving the Gospel to the world, and the establishment of our Master's Kingdom in the hearts of His people, depends in a large measure, in the education of our people.

Your committee would further recommend that the brethren give loyal support to our common schools, and for higher education we would recommend Wake Forest college, at Wake Forest, N. C., Mars Hill, near Ashville, N. C., and Merideth college, for women, at Raleigh, N. C. These colleges are Baptist schools. While we believe in a general education, we also, believe in a Christian education, which must be obtained by studying God's Word, together with other good books, read in the light of the Spirit of God. We believe in the divorcement of Church and State, as Christ taught the Pharisees: Render unto Cæsar the things that belong to Cæsar, and unto God that which belongs to God.

Your committee would urge the brethren to be loyal to God in giving the world a Christian education, using as a medium, the Sunday school, in the hands of the Lord.

J. L. Hayes, T. C. Hodges, J. F. Church, Com.

The Report on Temperance was read by N. S. Hampton, and after remarks by Bros. J. L. Hayes, Payne, Day, Thos. Miller, G. W. Brown, was adopted.

TEMPERANCE REPORT.

The cause of Temperance, like all other righteous causes, is maintained and advanced by the earnest and persistent efforts of its friends. There must still be a vigorous prosecution of manufacturing liquors. There must still be a persistent and determined prosecution of Law against all violators of our Prohibitory Laws. This must be borne by every good citizen of every community. Especially every true Baptist ought not to do less.

N. S. Hampton, G. W. Brown, Com.

Bro. J. F. Church read the Report on Periodicals, which was spoken to by Bros. Payne and Church, and adopted.

REPORT on PERIODICALS.

We believe in pressing upon the minds of our people, and especially, our Sunday school teachers the use of Baptist Literature. We advise that Religious Baptist papers be kept in the homes of our people, so that the children can read then instead of reading trashy, poisonous literature that is liable to get into our homes against our will. We recommend the Biblical Recorder, and Charity and Children. Wm. Minton, T. C. Miller, J. W. Harrison, Com.

Elder N. S. Hampton read the Report on Correspondence, which was adopted.

REPORT on CORRESPONDENCE.

To Three Forks Association: T. L. Day, and D. M. Wheeler.

To Brushy Mountain: Wm. M. Lee, D. M. Wheeler.
To Ashe County: M. D. Miller, R. M. Phillips.
To Alleghany & Grayson Co.: J. Wm. Church, J. W. Harrison.
To Caldwell County: J. F. Church, B. F. Wilcox, and J. A. Keys.
To Avery County: Edmond Greene, and J. C. Church.
To Baptist State Convention: Thos. L. Day. Respectfully,

N. S. Hampton, A. M. Brown, T. C. Hodges, Com.

On motion, adopted the following item:

This association recognizes all ordained Ministers of this association as Delegates, with the privilege to make and second motions, and take part in the deliberations, but not to vote on any question, unless they be recommended by letter from churches to which they belong.

By request, the association took a public collection for Mrs. Isabella Saunders, a destitute widow, which amounted to $2.43.

Report on State Missions was read by Elder J. M. Payne.

REPORT on STATE MISSIONS.

State Missions is giving the Gospel to our own State. We would remember the work it has done, and is doing. We recommend that you read 1st Cor. 16: 2, and 2nd Cor. 9: 6, 7, and further, we recommend that, the churches take, at least, one collection each month for missions, and, that our members go to church to worship; not only to hear, but to HELP.

D. M. Wheeler, J. M. Payne, W. L. Greene, Committee.

The Report on Home Missions was read by P. M. Winkler.

REPORT.

We believe that we should do a great work for Home Missions. We believe that all churches should take up collections, and advise the Sunday schools to take up collections for the spread of the Gospel in the United States, and our possessions. There are many States in the Union where our Baptist cause is hardly known.

Foreigners are continually coming into our beloved country, and as they come, they must be Christianized or we will be lowered as a Christian nation. "How shall we escape if we neglect so great salvation; which at first began to be spoken by the Lord, and was confirmed unto us by them that heard Him."—Heb. 2: 3.

Respectfully submitted.

P. M. Winkler, M. D. Miller, Edmond Greene, Com.

The Report on Foreign Missions was read by B F. Wilcox.

REPORT.

The question of Missions is a very serious one. Christ's mission from Heaven to earth was in the interest of a lost world. Our lot is a favored one. We have the written Word, the preached Word and the Church of the living God, who holds us responsible for the way we treat and dispose of these things. "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature." We are the beneficiaries of Christ's life and death, and He tells us to go and tell the

good news to all people, everywhere. The world for Christ. Regeneration for salvation. Idol worship is an awful thing, let us do all we can to rescue the heathen from their vanities, and turn their hearts to the living God.

B. F. Wilcox, G. C. Coffey. James Wheeler, Com.

The three Reports were spoken to by J. M. Payne, D.M.Wheeler, B. F. Wilcox, and J. L. Hayes, and adopted.

Committee on Devotional Exercises reported that Elders Edmond Greene preach Thursday at 11 o'clock a. m., B. F. Wilcox to follow and Wm. M. Lee to close.

On motion, appointed the Clerk Treasurer and to superintend the printing and distribution of these minutes.

Committee on Place, Time, and Preacher reported that the next Association be held with the Boone's Fork Baptist Church, 10 miles South-west of Boone, N. C., to commence on Tuesday after the second Sunday in September 1915; Rev. D. M. Wheeler to preach the Introductory Sermon; Elder Wm. M. Lee Alternate.

J. F. Church, Thomas Miller, H. L. Beshears, C. T. Hodges, Com.

The Report of the Treasurer of last year was read by N. S. Hampton.

REPORT of TREASURER.

Rec'd for Minute Fund,	$14.90.	Paid for Minutes & Mailing	$ 9.34
" Orphanage,	4.93.	" Orphanage,	4.93
" State Missions,	2.50.	" State Missions,	2.50
" Foreign Missions,	4.00.	" Foreign Mis (TLB)	4.00
		" Clerk,	5.00
Total Received,	$26.33.	Total,	$25.77

Balance in Treasury, 56 cts.

N. S. Hampton, Clerk and Treasurer.

The Report on Finance was read by B. F. Wilcox, and adopted.

Received for Minutes,	$ 13.34.
" Foreign Missions,	4.00.
" State Missions,	3.36.
" Orphanage,	15.06.
Total Received,	$ 35.76.

We allow the Clerk for his services, $5.00.

H. L. Beshears, G. C. Coffey, B. F. Wilcox, Com.

On motion adjourned to meet Thursday 9 o'clock, A. M.

Benediction was announced by Elder Edmond Greene.

THIRD DAY, Oct. 15th, 1914.

Met according to adjournment. Bro. Amos Hampton, and class, sang some beautiful, precious, and heart-touching songs, after which the Moderator called the Association to order. Bro. Thomas Miller led in prayer.

Read Minute of yesterday, which was adopted.

The Report on Pastoral Support was read by J. W. Harrison, and spoken to by Bros. J. W. Harrison, Thomas Miller, Lee Minton, the Moderator, and N. S. Hampton, and adopted.

REPORT.

We believe it a duty of each and every church member to give liberally of their means, which the Lord has given them, to the support of their Pastors, so as to enable them to give more of their time to reading and studying the Word of God, and preaching the Gospel. J. W. Harrison, Lee Minton, P. M. Winkler, Com.

Corresponding Messengers who were appointed last year, to visit the different associations, reported.

The Report on Resolutions was read by N. S. Hampton and adopted

REPORT.

Resolved, That we extend our thanks to the Brethren, Sisters, and Friends for their kindness and hospitality shown us during this session; also, Prof. Amos Hampton, and class, for the beautiful singing during this session of the Association.

Respectfully submitted.

J. W. Harrison, F. L. Dula, Com.

On motion, the Association adjourned to time and place appointed.

The Clerk conducted the closing exercises. Talks were made by several brethren. The Moderator led in prayer. The class and congregation sang, and the Clerk extended an invitation to "seekers" and many gave their hands.

The Association closed with a touching hand-shaking.

The Benediction was announced by Elder D. M. Wheeler.

THOS. L. DAY, Moderator.

WM. M. LEE, Clerk.

Sunday School Statistics.

CHURCHES	SUPT.	SECRETARY	POST OFFICE.		Number Enrolled	Average Attendance*	Contributions	Paid for Literature	Other Objects	Missions
Boone's Fork	A. H. Dula.	Charlotte Dula	Shulls Mills,	N.C	46		3.54	2.85		4.00
Doe Ridge	No report.									
Elk	L. F. Dula	Mollie Hinlow	Elkville,	N.C	24			.50		
Middle Cane	No report.									
Mt. Vernon	J. W. Harrison.	Miss Ina Elrod	Boone,	"	87		2.53	5.75		
Mt. Ephraim	N. G. Wheeler	Dellie Wheeler	Bamboo,	"	54	40		3.05		
Mt. Paran	No report.									
New River	Not represented.									
New Hopewell	Not represented.									
Poplar Grove	P. M. Winkler	Ida Dotson	Shulls Mills	"	65		3.35	.86		
Rock Spring	J. T. Hendrix.	Carrie Keys,	Darby.	"	81			1.35		
Laurel Fork	J. G. Story.	L. C. Hodges,	Blowing Rock	"				2.00		
Watauga	L. L. Wood.	R. H. Townsend	Banner's Elk	"	40			1.90		
Yellow Hill	H. H. Church.	C. C. Kees,	Summit,	"	120			6.41	1.75	6.35
Totals					517	40	9.42	24.67	1.75	10.35

*Only one school reported average attendance.

Statistical Table

CHURCHES.	Ord. Ministers	Licentiates	PASTORS.	CLERKS	POST OFFICE		Church Days	By Baptism.	By Letter	Restoration.	By Letter	Exclusion	Decease	Total Membership	Minute Fund	Mission Fund.	Orphanage Fund	Paid Pastor.	Other Expenses.
Boone's Fork	1		B. F. Wilcox.	J. C. Church,	Shulls Mills,	N.C	2	0	2	0	2	0	1	65	*.75	4.00	3.54	5.00	
Doe Ridge	1	1	Edmond Greene	I. R. Brown,	Zionville,	"	1				5	1		29	.50		1.00		
Elk	1		G. W. Brown	F. L. Dula,	Elkville,	"	3						1	38	.75			20.00	
Laurel Fork			J. M. Payne.	J. G. Story,	Blowing Rock	"	1				4			96	1.00	5.03	4.00	25.00	.75
Mt. Vernon			J. M. Payne.	C. M. Critcher	Boone,	"	1	12	3	1	5	1	1	204	2.53	7.02	5.58	74.63	1.65
Mt. Ephraim	4		D. M. Wheeler.	R. N. Greer,	Triplett,	"	2	13	1	1		2	1	120	1.50	7.00	2.32	12.50	13.87
Mt. Paran		1	Levi Greene.	Allen Watson,	Stony Fork,	"	1	1	1				2	29	.50			15.00	
Middle Cane			W. N. Church.	Roy Minton,	Triplett,	"	3	1	1		2	2		37	1.00				
New River																			
New Hopewell																			
Poplar Grove	1		C. S. Farthing.	P. M. Winkler,	Shulls Mills,	"	4				2		1	102	1.00		3.35	25.00	1000.00
Rock Spring			T. S. Robbins.	J. A. Keys,	Darby,	"	1			1		2		55	1.25				10.37
Watauga			N. S. Hampton	R. H. Townsend	Banners Elk,	"	3	4	2					83	1.00		.85	24.93	
Yellow Hill	3		W. F. Carlton.	H. L. Beshears,	Summit,	"	3	1		1	7	1	1	103	1.00	8.50			
				*Rec'd from Clerk of last year											.56				
Totals,	11	2						32	10	4	27	9	8	961	13.34	31.55	20.68	202.06	1026.44

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MINUTES

OF THE

Fifty-Fourth Annual Session

OF THE

STONY FORK
BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

—HELD WITH—

BOONE'S FORK BAPTIST CHURCH

WATAUGA COUNTY, N. C.

SEPTEMBER, 14TH, 15TH AND 16TH, 1915.

THOMAS L. DAY, Moderator, Blowing Rock, N. C.
WM. M. LEE, Clerk and Treasurer, Summit, N. C.

The Fifty-fifth Annual Session of the Stony Fork Baptist Association will be held with the Rock Spring Baptist Church at Darby, Wilkes County, N. C., commencing on Tuesday after the Second Sunday in October 1916.
Introductory Sermon to be preached by Elder Wm. M. Lee, at 11 o'clock, A. M. Elder J. T. Hendrix Alternate.

Will H. McGuire, Printer, Brookside, N. C.

1915 1915

Directory of the Stony Fork Baptist Association.

OFFICERS:

THOMAS L. DAY, Moderator, Blowing Rock, N. C.
WM. M. LEE, Clerk and Treasurer, Summit, N. C.

ORDAINED MINISTERS

Brown, G. W.	Greene, Edmond.	Miller, M. D.
Church, W. N.	Hampton, N. S.	Norris, J. G.
Church J. Wm.	Hendrix, J. T.	Wheeler, D. N.
Carlton, C. C.	Lee, Wm. M.	Wilcox, B. F.
		Watson, Luster.

LICENTIATES

Brown. A. M. Miller, Thomas. Kendall, L. L.

PROCEEDINGS

Boone's Fork Church, Watauga County, N. C.,
Tuesday, Sept. 14th 1915.

The Stony Fork Baptist Association met in its Fifty-fourth Annual Session, with Boone's Fork Church, at Whiting School House, on Tuesday, Sept. 14th 1915.

Bro. J. C. Church delivered a beautiful address of welcome, and led the singing class in singing some beautiful, touching songs— one special song, "Welcome Here."

Elder D. M. Wheler read the 3rd chapter of Proverbs, and Elder J. T. Hendrix led in prayer, after which Eld. D. M. Wheeler preached an impressive Introductory Sermon, using for his Text, Prov. 3:9.

After one hour's intermission, during which time, a bountiful dinner was spread, the Moderator called the Association to order. Bro. J. C. Church and choir sang; and Elder C. S. Farthing led in prayer.

The Delegates handed in their Associational Letters, which were read by brethren J. F. Church and the Clerk, and the names of Delegates were enrolled as follows :

Boone's Fork—B F Wilcox, J F Church, W L Coffey.
Doe Ridge—A M Brown, J R Brown.
Elk—(Letter since the Association.)
Laurel Fork—W D Ashley.
Mt. Vernon—J W Harrison.
Mt. Ephraim—J P Cook, D M Wheeler, J W Hayes.
Mt. Paran—Thomas Miller, Wade Greene.
Middle Cane—Lee Minton.
New River—(Not represented.)
New Hopewell—D O Gragg, W H Dellinger, L E Gragg.
Poplar Grove—P M Winkler, T C Hodges.
Rock Spring—Thomas Hendrix, J T Hendrix.
Watauga—W H Calloway, S P Townsend.
Yellow Hill—Wm M Lee, H L Beshears.

Proceeded to elect officers—Elders C. S. Farthing and J. M. Payne acted as tellers, who reported Thomas L. Day Moderator, and Wm. M. Lee, Clerk.

Invited Correspondents and Visitors to seats, and Eld. R. N. Garner from Briar Creek, Bro. E. J. Norris and Elds. W. A. Pennell, J. M. Payne, C. S. Farthing, and E. M. Gragg from Three Forks association, accepted.

Extended invitation to Churches wishing to unite with this association. None present.

Empowered the Moderator and Clerk to make all temporary appointments during the session, unless otherwise ordered, and the following were announced :

On Devotional Exercises—E. J. Norris, with the Delegates of the Boones Fork Church.

On Order of Business—J. F. Church, G. W. Brown, J. W. Harrison, D. M. Wheeler, Visiting Ministers, and Moderator and Clerk.

Resolutions—B. F. Wilcox, Edmond Greene: E. M. Gragg.

Sunday Schools—J. P. Cook, Lee Minton, J. M. Payne.

Orphanage—H. L. Coffey, T C Hodges, C S Farthing.

Education—J W Hays, J T Hendrix, R N Garner, W H Dellinger

Temperance—P. M. Winkler, A. M. Brown, Wade Greene

State Missions—D. M. Wheeler, T. G. Hendrix, H. L. Beshears.

Home Missions—Thomas Miller, W. D. Ashley, E. J. Norris

Foreign Missions—E. M. Gragg, J. R. Brown, W. F. Gragg

Periodicals—A. H. Dula, W. L. Coffey, D. M. Wheeler, W. A. Pennell.

Correspondence—L. E. Gragg, W. H. Gragg.

Finance—H. L. Beshears, B. F. Wilcox, R. L. Maltba.

Pastoral Support—J. C. Church, P. M. Winkler, J. W. Harrison.

Place Time and Preacher—Thomas Miller, W.D. Ashley, J. T. Hendrix.

Committee on Devotional Exercises reported, Elder J. M. Payne, to preach at this time, and R. N. Garner, Wednesday at 11, o'clock. A. M.

Adjourned to meet Wednesday at 9 o'clock a. m. and spend one-half hour in prayer services, conducted by Eld. Edmond Greene.

At this time the association, and congregation returned to the Grove and Elder J. M. Payne preached a forceful sermon from Rom. 12:21., Eld. Edmond Greene led in prayer, and Bro J. C. Church announced homes for the Delegates and Visitors.

SECOND DAY, Wednesday, Sept. 15th 1915.

Met according to adjournment. Elder Edmond Greene conducted prayer services by reading 103 Psalm. Bros. A. M. Brown and E. J. Norris, each, led in prayer.

The Moderator called the Association to order.

Called the roll and marked absentees.

Read the Report on Order of Business, which was adopted.

Read minutes of yesterday which was approved.

Extended Invitation to Correspondents and Visitors, and Bro. J. L. Hayes, from Three Forks association accepted a seat

The Report on Sunday Schools was read by the Clerk, and spoken to by J. M. Payne and others, and adopted.

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT.

We believe that the Sunday-school is an institution in the hands of the church, to aid in bringing our people to Christ, and it is the duty of all to attend Sunday-school, and to keep up an ever-green Sunday school, and do a greater work for Christ, as we gather from the minutes, the greater per cent of the church members come through the Sunday school. We believe all pastors should encourage Sunday-schools in their churches, and should formulate plans, and the lay members should carry them out.

J. P. Cook, Lee Minton, J. M. Payne, Com.

On motion adjourned for preaching. Met at the stand in the grove, Elder R. N. Garner read 13 verses of the 6th chapter of Eph., and Elder C. S. Farthing led in prayer. Bro. Garner preached a touching sermon from Eph. 6: 11, and brother E. J. Norris led in prayer, after which the people partook of a bountiful dinner.

Met at the house, and Bro. J. C. Church and his class sang some sweet songs, and the Moderator called the Association to order. At this time Bro. G. W. Robbins of three Forks association accepted a seat. The report on Orphanage report was read by Br. T.C. Hodges, and spoken to by Bro. E. J. Norris and others, and adopted.

ORPHANAGE REPORT.

The Baptist Orphanage at Thomasville, is a home for the children who are left without father or mother to care for them. The doors of this home are wide open for the reception of any of our children who may be thus unfortunate, and as some of them are liable very soon, to need the care of this home, we insist upon the Deacons to press the claim of this home upon all our members, also insist upon our pastors to urge this matter to all their churches. We insist further upon the Deacons, to take up at least three collections during the year, one especially on Thanksgiving Day, which was set apart by the State Mission Board for this cause.

T. C. Hodges, H. L. Coffey, C. S. Farthing, Com.

Committee on Devotional Exercises reported that Eld. Edmond Greene preach at the stand at 2 o'clock, p. m. to-day.

The Report on Education was read by Bro J. W. Hayes, and spoken to by C. S. Farthing and others and adopted.

REPORT on EDUCATION.

Education is of great importance to our people. The greatness of our Nation depends upon the education of the masses. The greatest

assets of the American people are their children. God has given them to us, laid the stupendous responsibility on us for their training. We are taught to bring them up in the way they should go, and they will not depart from it when they are old.

Your committee would urge that we, as Baptists, avail ourselves of every opportunity to educate our people in the admonition of the Word of God.— J. W. Hays, J, T. Hendrix, R. N. Garner, Com.

The Report on Temperance was read by Bro. P. M. Winkler, and spoken to by Bro. R. L. Maltba and others, and adopted.

TEMPERANCE REPORT.

The cause of Temperence, like all other righteous causes, is maintained and advanced by the earnest and persistent efforts of its friends. There must be a vigorous prosecution of manufacturing liquors There must still be a persistent and determined prosecution of law against all violators of our Prohibitory Laws. This must be born by every good citizen of every community. Especially every true Baptist ought not to do less.

P. M. Winkler, Wade Greene, A. M. Brown.

In compliance with the unanimous vote of the association, requesting the Clerk to formulate a resolution, in connection with the report on Temperanc, relative to the use of Tobacco, especially cigars, cigaretts and snuff; he offers, with the best of feeling the following:

It is the mind of this Association, that the use of Tobacco in any way, and especially cigaretts and snuff to excess, or as a luxury is alarmingly detrimental to the health of our people, and more especially to the health of our young people, and we pray them to stop the use of it as a luxury at least. Clerk.

The Report on Periodicals was read by Bro. A. H. Dula, and without discussion, was adopte.

REPORT on PERIODICALS.

1st. We believe in pressing on the minds of our people, and especially on our Sunday-school teachers the use of Baptist Literature. We advise that religious Baptist Literature be kept in the homes of our people, so that the children can read it instead of reading trashy, poisonous literature that is liable to get into our homes against our wills. We recommend the Biblical Recorder, Charity and Children, Baptist Standard, and the Foreign Mission Journal.

A. H. Dula, D. M. Wheeler; W. L Coffey, Com.

The Report on Correspondence was read by Bro. L. E. Gragg and after some remarks, it was adopted.

REPORT on CORRESPONDENCE.

To Three Forks Association: T. L. Day, and D. M. Wheeler.
To Brushy Mountain: Wm. M. Lee, and D. M. Wheeler.
To Ashe County: M. D. Miller.
To Alleghany & Grayson: J. W. Church, and J. W. Harrison.
To Caldwell County: A. H. Dula,and W. H. Dellinger.
To Avery County: Edmond Greene, and J. C. Church.
To Baptist State Convention: Wm. M. Lee.

W. H. Gragg, L. E. Gragg, Com.

Bro. H. L. Beshears read the report on

STATE MISSIONS.

State Missions is giving the Gospel to our own State. We would remember the work it has done, and is doing. We recommend that you read 1st Cor. 16: 12, and 2nd Cor. 9: 6, 7, and further, we recommend that, the churches take, at least, one collection each month for missions, and, that our members go to church to worship, not only to hear, but to Help.

D. M. Wheeler, H. L. Beshears, Com.

Bro. E. J. Norris read the report on

HOME MISSIONS.

We believe that we ought to do more for Home Missions than we have heretofore. We would urge that our churches should take 3 or more collections each year for Home Missions. Knowing that our Home field is neglected too much, that if any lies near our hearts it should be our Home fields. How shall we escape if we neglect our duty.

Respectfully,

E. J. Norris, W. D. Ashley, Thomas Miller, Com.

The Report on Foreign Missions was read by Eld. C. S. Farthing.

REPORT on FOREIGN MISSIONS.

That as Baptists, and as enjoindd by the Holy Scriptures, we cannot avoid urging our people to be very zealous toward Foreign Missions. Our Savior said "Go ye in to all the world" and make disciples of all nations, and we believe that. It pleased God to save the world through preaching, so we ask again, "How can they preach unless they be sent?" The unchristian world is now in a peculiar and precarious condition. Modern Evangelism and enlightenment have undermined great sections of the heathen world, destroying the faith and confidence of millions of heathen in their old religions. Now unless we give them the true religion they will lapse into infidelity and their [last] state will be worse than their first. Great changes are taking place in the non-Christian nations, e. g. In China, 25 years ago, it was dangerous for our missionaries to speak a word for Christ in nearly all the principal cities. Now, two missionaries from America recently made a tour of that mighty nation of over four hundred million souls, and in every city the public halls were thrown open to them, and packed, night after night to their utmost capacity with the students and other principal citizens, Many thousands registered themselves as earnest enquirers after truth according to the gospel. Are we going to fail them in supporting their needs. The Mission Boards of the Evangelical churches have divided the territory of the non Christian world among the various churches in order to make their limited means go as far as possible toward covering the ground We Baptist as one of the largest denominations have become responsible for the conversion of many of the most populous territories. This is our individual field. No other denomnation enters it. Unless we Baptists give them the gospel they cannot get it. When this immense population is parcelled out among our missionaries, each one, even though, a frail woman, has under his or her individual care a congregation of several hundred thousand souls. Truly the harvest is great but the laborers are few. From every indication the foreign

field seems especially "ripe unto harvest."—More so than at any time since we received our "Great Commission. Let us therefore, pray the Lord of the harvest that he send forth more laborers into his vineyard." And let us work as we pray. Many more things might be said on this all important subject, but space forbids.

E. M. Gragg, W. F. Gragg, J. R. Brown, Com.

The three Reports were discussed together by D. M. Wheeler, and others, and adopted.

The Committee on Devotional Exercises reported Elders J. T. Hendrix and W. R. Bradshaw to preach and Wm. M. Lee to close the services Thursday.

Adjourned to meet Thursday, 8: 30 o'clock, a. m. and spend one-half hour in prayer service, conducted by Bro. E. J. Norris.

Elder J. T. Hendrix led in prayer.

THIRD DAY, Thursday, Sept. 16th 1915

Met according to adjournment. Prayer service was conducted by Bro. E. J. Norris, Elders W. A. Pennell, and J. T. Hendrix, each led in prayer, and Bro. Norris made a touching talk.

The Treasurer of last year reported and the report was adopted.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Received from the Association at its session in 1914:

Minute Fund,	$13.34	Paid for Minutes & mailing,	$ 8.35
Orphanage,	15.06	Paid Orphanage,	15.06
Foreign Missions,	4.00	Paid Foreign Missions,	4.00
State Missions,	3.36	Paid State Missions,	3.36
Total Received,	$35.76	Paid Clerk,	5.00
		Total paid out,	$35.77

Since the Association I received, to pay for Record Book:
From Laurel Fork Church, 35 cts., Mt. Vernon, 50 cts.,
Yellow Hill 46 cts., and Poplar Grove, 40 cts = $1.71

Paid for Book,	1.25
Balance of Record Book money,	.46

Grand total received,	$37.47
" " paid out,	37.02
Total Balance in Treasury,	.45

Wm. M. Lee, Clerk & Treasurer.

The Report on Pastoral Support was read by Elder C. S. Farthing and spoken to by Bro. E. J. Norris, and others, and adopted.

REPORT on PASTORAL SUPPORT.

We believe it a duty of each and every church member to give liberally of their means which the Lord has given them, to the support of their pastors, so as to enable them to give more of their time to reading and studying the Word of God and preaching the Gospel.

J. C. Church, J. W. Harrison, P. M. Winkler, Com.

The Report on Finance was read by Bro. H. L. Beshears and adopted

FINANCE REPORT.

Received for Minutes,	$12.60
" State Missions,	1.06
" Foreign Missions,	2.60
" Orphanage,	12.26
Total received,	$28.42

Allowed Clerk for services, $5.00.

H. L. Beshears, B. F. Wilcox, R. L. Maltba, Com.

Collection credited to Boone's Fork church for Orphanage,	$5.00
Paid for Minute Fund by Bro. Thos L. Day,	.40
Received by letter, from Elk church for minutes,	.55
Grand total received	$34.39

Appointed the Clerk Treasurer, and to have these minutes printed and distributed.

The Report on Resolutions was read by C. S. Farthing and adopted.

REPORT on RESOLUTIONS.

1st. Resolved, That this Association render thanks to the members of Boones Fork church and to the community in general, for their excellent deportment, and especially for their kind hospitality.

2nd. Resolved, That this Association urge upon the members of our churches to be more zealous in regard to the physical support of their pastors.

3rd. Resolved, That we urge upon our members to be more zealous and fervent in prayers.

Prayer is the key that unlocks the gates of heaven for our relief and comfort, and brings us into closer communion with our heavenly father, with Jesus our Savior and all the holy angels.

Respectfully, E. M. Gragg, Edmond Greene, B. F. Wilcox, Com.

The report on Place, Time, and Preacher, was read by Elder J.T. Hendrix, and adopted.

PLACE, TIME, and PREACHER.

The Fifty-fifth Annual Session of the Stony Fork Baptist Association, will be held with the Rock Spring Church, at Darby, Wilkes County, N. C., on Tuesday after the Second Sunday tn Oct. 1916.

Introductory Sermon by Wm. M. Lee, at 11 o'clock, A. M. J. T. Hendrix, Alternate.

J. T. Hendrix, Thos. Miller W, D. Ashley, Com.

Noticed Miscellaneous Matters, and appointed Wm. M. Lee, J. F. Church, and D. M. Wheeler a committee to visit New River Church to learn the cause, or reason, why the church has not represented the last two years.

The Association at this time, moved to the Stand to finish its work, and for preaching. Elder W. R. Bradshaw delivered a fine, impressive address on State Missions, and a collection was taken for the Orphanage, amounting to $5.02.

Elder J. T. Hendrix read a lesson from the Bible and W.R.Bradshaw led in prayer, and Bro, Hendrix preached a beautiful sermon,

after which Wm. M. Lee conducted the closing service with an exhortational talk, and while Bro. J. C. Church led a beautiful song, the congregation engaged in an old-fashioned hand-shaking, and the Moderator led in an earnest prayer.

The Benediction was announced by C. S. Farthing, which closed the 54th session of the Stony Fork Baptist Association.

THOS. L. DAY, Moderator.

WM. M. LEE, Clerk.

OBITUARY.

In memory of sister Nancy Emeline Church, wife of Elder John Wm. Church. She was born Oct. 30th 1860, and departed this life April 26th 1915. Age 54 years, 5 months and 20 days. She was married to John Wm. Church in the year 1876. Their happy union was blessed with 7 children,—3 boys and 4 girls,—all living.

She professed a hope in Christ and joined the Baptist Church at Yellow Hill Oct. Fourth Sunday, 1886. She lived a beautiful Christian life until death. She was an ardent lover of Free Masonry, and honored the Degree of a Daughter Mason.

Husband, children, relatives, and friends, earnestly strive to meet Sister Church in Heaven.

Wm. M. Lee, and W. S. Church, Com.

Sunday School Statistics

CHURCHES	SUPT.	SEC'Y.	P. O.		Attendance		Contributions				
					Enrolled	Average	Orphanage	Literature	For. Missions	State Missions	All Other
Boone's Fork	A. Calloway	Monela Dula	Shulls Mills,	N.C	*Very good Sunday school.						
Doe Ridge	T. B. Foster	A. A. Brown	Zionville,	"		25					
Elk											
Middle Cane											
Mt Vernon	J. W. Harrison	Miss Ina Elrod	Boone, R. 1	"	125	60	00.00	10.11	0.00	0.00	0.00
Mt. Ephraim	N. G. Wheeler	Della Wheeler	Triplett,	"	40	25		3.00			
Mt. Paran			Stony Fork	"	†	45	Good S.-school.				
New River											
New Hopewell	L. E. Gragg	Quincie Coffey	Gragg,	"	51	40		3.00			
Poplar Grove	P. M. Winkler	F. M. Maltba	Shulls Mills	"	50	32		3.11			1.00
Rock Spring			Darby,	"	†	46					
Laurel Fork	Edgar Story	L. C. Hodges	Blowing Rock	"	27	23		1.04			
Watauga	Hardy L. Coffey	C. M. Townsend	Banner Elk	"	40	25		2.00			
Yellow Hill	W. S. Church	E. R. Mikeal,	Summit	"		73	1.00	13.65	1.00	1.00	
Totals, 11					333	394	1.00	35.91	1.00	1.00	1.00

* Did not give attendance &c

† Did not give Supt. nor Sec'y,—only average attendance.

Statistical Table

CHURCHES	Ord. Ministers	Licentiates	PASTORS	CLERKS	P. O.	Church Days	By Baptism	By Letter	By Restoration	Lost By Letter	By Exclusion	By Death	Total Membership	Minute Fund	Mission Fund	Orphanage Fund	Paid Pastor	Other Objects
Boone's Fork	1		B. F. Wilcox	J. C. Church	Shulls Mills N.C	2	3	1	0	0	0	1	68	.75	13.15	1.40	16.00	100.00
Doe Ridge	2	1	Edmond Greene W. A. Pennell Asst	J R Brown	Zionville	"	1	2	3				33	.75		1.50		
Elk			G W Brown	F L Dula	Elkville R 1	"	3	3	2		2	1	4	36	.55			
Laurel Fork			E M Gragg	J G Story	Blowing Rock	"	1							96	1.00			36.00
Mt Vernon			J M Payne	C M Critcher	Boone RFD	"	1	2	1		6		1	200	2.50	22.68	8.01	71.84	10.50
Mt. Ephraim	3		D M Wheeler	R N Greer	Triplett	"	2	2		1		1	1	121	1.00	2.25		7.45	4.35
Mt. Paran	1	1	Levi Greene J E Greene	Allen Watson	Stony Fork	"	1	2	2					32	.50			10.00	
Middle Cane			W N Church	Calvin Miller	Triplett	"	3	4			8	1	1	31	1.00			15.10	
New River			Not represented																
New Hopewell			N S Hampton	L E Gragg	Gragg	"	2	8	1				1	108	.85			7.00	4.00
Poplar Grove			J M Payne	P M Winkler	Shulls Mills	"	4	2	2	1			2	108	1.00	1.06	1.65	24.00	200.00
Rock Spring	1		T S Robbins	J A Keys	Darby	"	1		4				1	60	1.00				
Watauga	1		N S Hampton	R H Townsend	Banners Elk	"	3	4	1	2				89	1.00			12.27	
Yellow Hill	3		W F Carlton	H L Beshears	Summit	"	3	26	1			1	2	124	1.55			43.12	
Totals,	13	12	2					58	18	4	14	4	13	1106	13.45	39.14	12.56	242.78	318.85

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MINUTES

—OF THE—

FIFTY-FIFTH ANNUAL SESSION

——OF THE——

STONY FORK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

HELD WITH

ROCK SPRING BAPTIST CHURCH

WILKES COUNTY, N. C.

October 10th, 11th, and 12th, 1916.

B. F. WILCOX, Moderator, Shulls Mills, N. C.
WM. M. LEE, Clerk and Treasurer, Summit, N. C.

The Fifty-Sixth Annual Session of the Stony Fork Baptist Association will be held with the Mt. Paran Baptist Church, Stony Fork, Watauga County, N. C. convening on Tuesday after the Second Sunday in October 1917.
Introductory Sermon to be preached by Elder N. S. Hampton, at 11 o'clock, A. M. Elder D. M. Wheeler, Alternate.

Will H. McGuire, Printer, Brookside, N. C.

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Directory of the Stony Fork Baptist Association.

OFFICERS:

REV. B. F. WILCOX, Moderator, Shulls Mills, N. C.
REV. WM. M. LEE, Clerk and Treasurer, Summit, N. C.

ORDAINED MINISTERS:

Brown, G. W.	Greene, Edmond.	Miller, M. D.
Church, W. N.	Hampton, N. S.	Wilcox, B. F.
Church, J. Wm.	Lee, Wm. M.	Wheeler, D. M.

LICENTIATES:

Brown, A. M. Miller, Thomas.

Abstract of Principles,

As appears in the Organization of the Stony Fork Baptist Association.

1. We believe in one only true and living God, and that there are three Persons in the God-head, the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, and that these three are one.

2. We believe that the Old, and New Testaments are the Word of God, and the only rule of Faith and Practice.

3. We believe in the impotency of man to recover himself from the fallen state he is in, by his own ability.

4. We believe that Salvation is only by Grace through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.

5. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances instituted by Jesus Christ, and should be praeticed by all true believers.

6. We believe that the only true mode of Baptism is by immersion, and that True Believers are the only subjects.

7. We believe in the final perseverence of the Saints in grace to glory.

8. We believe in the Resurrection of the dead, and a general Judgement.

9. We believe that the Happiness of the Righteous, and the Punishment of the Unrighteous, will both be Eternal.

PROCEEDINGS

Rock Spring Church, Wilkes County, N. C.,
Tuesday, Oct. 10, 1916.

The Stony Fork Baptist Association met in its Fifty-fifth Annual Session, with Rock Spring Church, at Darby, N. C., on Tuesday, October 10th 1916. After beautiful singing by the class, led by Brethren Thomss Watson and D.J. Church, Elder Wm. M. Lee read the 19th chapter of Psalms, and Elder I. C. Miller led in prayer, and Wm. M. Lee preached the Introductory Sermon from Matt. 28:16-20

Intermission for 45 minutes was announced.

After intermission, the congregation met in the School House,and Elder W. R. Bradshaw addressed the school, after which he delivered an address on State Missions, which was enjoyed.

The Association met in the Church House, and the Moderator not being present, the Clerk called the Association to order, and Elder D. M. Wheeler led in prayer.

On motion, the Clerk was asked to organize the Association.

The Delegates handed in the Associational Letters, and Elders N. S. Hampton and B. F. Wilcox read the letters, and the names of Delegates were enrolled as follows:

Boone's Fork—(Letter since the Association.)
Doe Ridge—G W Brown, A M Brown.
Elk—W A Proffit, F L Dula, W T Land.
Middle Cane—Lee Minton, J W Hendrix, Calvin Miller.
Mt. Vernon—G W Gragg, Jerry Day.
Mt. Ephraim—J J Wheeler, J W Hayes.
Mt. Paran—T M Watson, Wade Greene.
New Hopewell—(Not represented.)
Poplar Grove—T C Hodges, B. F. Wilcox.
Rock Spring—Alfred Hendrix, J W Woods, J A Keys.
Laurel Fork—J G Story.
Watauga—Letter since the Association.
Yellow Hill—Wm M Lee, D J Church.

Proceeded to elect officers; Eld. I. C. Miller served as Teller,who reported Elders B. F. Wilcox, Moderator, and Wm. M. Lee, Clerk.

On motion the report is received and the Teller discharged.

Invited Correspondents and Visitors to seats. Elder I. C. Miller from Three Forks Association accepted as a visitor.

Extended Invitation to Churches wishing to unite with this Association. None present.

Empowered the Moderator and Clerk to make all temporary appointments during this session, and they announced the following:

On Devotional Exercises: Jerry Day, with the Delegates of Rock Spring Church.

On Order of Business: G W Gragg, D J Church, D M Wheeler, W T Land, with visiting Ministers, Moderator and Clerk.

Resolutions: G W Brown and J G Story.

Sunday Schools: G W Gragg, Lee Minton, D J Church, T C Hodges.

Orphanage: J W Woods, A M Brown, N S Hampton.

Education: Jerry Day, J W Hayes, T M Watson.

Temperance: D M Wheeler, N S Hampton, J A Keys, T C Miller I C Miller, W N Church.

State Missions: W T Land, M D Miller, G W Keys.

Home Missions: T C Hodges, J W Hendrix, F L Dula.

Foreign Missions: I C Miller, N S Hampton, J J Wheeler.

Periodicals, Jerry Day, Alfred Hendrix, M D Miller.

Correspondence: J W Woods, Wade Greene.

Finance: N S Hampton, W T Land, D J Church.

Pastoral Support: J W Hendrix, J W Woods, N S Hampton.

Place, Time, and Preacher: T M Watson, J G Story, J A Keys, D J Church, T C Miller, Wade Greene.

Committee on Devotional Exercises reported Elder W. N. Church to preach tonight at 7: 30 o'clock.

Adjourned to meet Wednesday at 9 o'clock A. M., and spend one-half hour in prayer service, conducted dy Elder N. S. Hampton.

The pastor, I. C. Miller, announced homes, and then announced the benediction.

SECOND DAY, Wednesday, Oct. 11, 1916.

Met according to adjournment, and held prayer services, conducted by N. S. Hampton, by reading 9th chapter of 2d Cor., and leading in prayer.

The Moderator called the association to order.

Called the roll and marked absentees.

Read Report on Order of Business.

Read minutes of yesterday.

Extended invitation to Correspondents and Visitors. Eld. T. S. Robins, R. H. Pipes, C. M. Church, and L. A. Robins from Caldwell Co. association accepted seats.

Bro. R. H. Pipes read Rules of Decorum and Articles of Faith.

The Report on Sunday-schools was read by G. W Gragg, and spoken to by G. W. Gragg and others, and adopted.

REPORT on SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

We believe that the Sunday-school is an institution in the hands of the Church to aid in bringing our people to Christ, and is the duty of old and young to attend Sunday School, and to keep up an evergreen Sunday School, and do the most work possible for our Master. We gather from the church statistics, that the greater per cent of our church membership come through the Sunday-school into the church. Therefore brethren, we should be in earnest about the work that is so helpful in bringing the lost world to Christ. We believe that all our pastors should encourage Sunday-school work in their churches and lay plans, and we lay-members carry out the plans.

Lee Minton, T. C. Hodges, }
G. W. Gragg, D. J. Church, } Com.

Committee on Devotional Exercises, reported Eld. D. M. Wheeler to preach in school house at 11:10, o'clock a. m. today.

The Report on Orphanage was read by N. S. Hampton, and spoken to by N. S. Hampton, and at this time the Association adjourned to 1:30, o'clock, p. m., during which time Elder D. M. Wheeler preached in the school house.

After intermission, the Moderator called the association to order, M. D. Miller leading in prayer. The Report on Orphanage was taken up, and spoken to by I. C. Miller and others, and adopted.

ORPHANAGE REPORT.

The Baptist Orphanage at Thomasville is a Christian home for the children who are left without father or mother to care for them. The doors of this home are wide open for the reception of any of our children who may be thus unfortunate, or, as much so as room and means to support them will admit. There are about 500 children now in the home, and an average of about 50 children a month, who ask for admittance, most of them turned away for lack of room. Are not these children, thus turned away liable to accept the offered opportunities of other denominations, and thereby our Baptist cause be weakened? We insist that we offer our hearts, and as we pray the Lord to bless the orphan, that we give of our means, so the orphans' home may be enlarged so there will be room for all. We further insist that each church in this association, at least, make one shipment of produce to the orphanage at Thomasville, on or before Thanksgiving day in November next. And we further insist that Pastors insist upon each member to give as much as a penny each month to this worthy institution,

N. S. Hampton, A. M. Brown, Com.

Bro. Jerry Day read the Report on Education, and it was discussed by Jerry Day and others, and adopted.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

"Search the Scriptures for in them ye think ye have eternal life, and they are they which testify of me", should be the highest admonition to our people. Since a knowledge of our language is essential

in the study of the Scriptures, and since eternal life is our highest hope, and since that hope is to be fulfilled through a knowledge of the Scriptures; we highly recommend the greatest possible education of our people. We cannot recommend too highly the importance of training the children while their minds are receptive and while the habits are being formed. We recommend the Sunday-school for all people, for both the aged and the young, for the learned and the illiterate, that all may benefit in the study of the waybill of life. We admonish our people to use their utmost influence to support, foster, and patronize all institutions of learning in which the youth of our land may be prepared for higher norals, greater intelligence, and, above all, Spirituality We would advise our people to supply their homes with some good literature and wholesome books, such as "Pilgrim's Progress", "Saint Elmo", "Ben Hur", and "Baptist Why and Why Not", etc. But we would recommend the Bible for each individual that each may have pride in his own book and that book the waybill of life.

T. M. Watson, J. W. Hays, Jerry Day, Com.

The report on Temperance was read by N. S. Hampton and spoken to by Bro. R. H. Pipes, and others, and adopted.

TEMPERANCE REPORT.

The cause of Temperance, like all other righteous causes, is maintained and advanced by the earnest and persistent efforts of its friends. There must still be a persistent and determined prosecution of law against all violators of our Prohibitory Laws. This must be borne by every good citizen of every community, especially every Baptist ought not to do less

N. S. Hampton, D. M. Wheeler,
I. C. Miller, W. Church, } Com.

The Report on Periodicals was read by Bro. Jerry Day, and spoken to by Bro. Day, and adopted.

REPORT on PERIODICALS.

It is through the Periodicals that we are informed of the need of our State, of our Nation, and of our world. Since the command, "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature", presupposes that we should know the needs of our country before we can meet those needs, and since we can get much of this information through the Periodicals; we recommend the use of these Periodicals in all homes where the people can be induced to install them. We advise the use of Baptist Literature in our Sunday Schools. We advise such papers as "The Baptist Standard", "The Foreign Mission Journal", "Charity and Children", and the "Biblical Recorder", in our homes to inform us of the needs of the Country, that we may be more thoroughly prepared to meet the needs of our Country.

Alfred Hendrix, Jerry Day, M. D. Miller, Com.

Wm. M. Lee, Correspondent to Brushy Mountain Association, reported that he was not able to attend the Association.

The Report on State Missions was read by Bro. W. T. Land.

REPORT on STATE MISSIONS.

State Missions as we understand, is the aid of giving the Gospel to the State. We heartily endorse the work it has done in this regard, and we most earnestly recommend that our churches take up a quarterly collection for the same, and we further recommend that our church members be more prompt in attending their church meetings on Saturdays that they may know the needs in the destitute places, and give liberally of their means as God has prospered them, for the aid of this great work for the Master. When He was about to go away, he gave to every one their work, hence it belongs to us all. Freely have we received; freely give. Resp. submitted.

W. T. Land, M. D. Miller, Com.

Bro. T. C. Hodges read the

REPORT on HOME MISSIONS.

We believe that we ought to do more for Home Missions than we have heretofore. We urge that the Deacons of the different churches do more in persuading, and insisting on the members of their churches to take up quarterly collections for Home Missions. Knowing that our Home Field is neglected too much, that if any lies near our hearts, it should be our Home Field. We also urge that our ministers impress the people more as to their whole duty to give more to missions. How shall we escape if we neglect our duty?

J. W. Hendrix, T. C. Hodges, Com.

Elder N. S. Hampton read the

REPORT on FOREIGN MISSIONS.

That as Baptists, and as enjoined by the holy Scriptures, we cannot avoid urging our people to be very zealous toward Foreign Missions. Our Savior said: "Go ye into all the world" and make deciples of all nations, and we believe that to us still yet is the marching orders of our Lord is go teach all nations. The unchristian world is now in a peculiar and precarious condition, and the door of opportunity is now open to us; will we accept the invitation of Christ our Savior, as he says let your light shine? Let us be true to our Lord,—letting our lights shine in Home, Church, State, United States, and unto the uttermost of the earth. There are many ways in which we can go: we can go with our means and prayers or in person.

I. C. Miller, N. S. Hampton, J. J. Wheeler, Com.

The three Reports were discussed by W. T. Land and others and adopted.

Committee on Devotional Exercises reported Elder B. F. Wilcox to preach in the Church-house tonight at 7, o'clock, Elder A. M. Brown to conduct opening exercises Thursday at 9 o'clock a. m., and Elder G. W. Brown to preach in the School house, Thur. 11 a.m.

The Report on Resolutions was read by N. S. Hampton, and spoken to by G. W. Brown, and adopted.

REPORT on RESOLUTIONS.

1st. Resolved; That this Association, renders thanks to the members of Rock Spring Church, and to the community in general for their excellent deportment, and especially for their kind hospitality.

2nd. Resolved; That this Association urge upon the members of their churches to do more for the support of their pastors.

3rd. Resolved; That we urge upon our members to be more zealous and fervent in prayer.

Prayer is the key that unlocks the gate of Heaven for our relief and comfort, and brings us into close communion with our Heavenly Father, with Jesus, our Savior, and all the holy Angels.

Respectfully, G. W. Brown, J. G. Story, Com.

On motion, adjourned to meet Thursday at 9 o'clock a. m. Elder M. D. Miller led in prayer.

THIRD DAY, Thursday, Oct. 12, 1916.

Met according to adjournment. Elder A. M. Brown conducted opening Exercises by reading from John 1:1-24, and leading in prayer.

The Moderator called the Association to order.

Elder N. S. Hampton, read the Report on Correspondence, which was adopted.

REPORT on CORRESPONDENCE.

To The Three Forks Association: Jerry Day and B. F. Wilcox.
To Brushy Mountain: W A. Proffit.
To Ashe: M. D. Miller, G. W. Brown.
To Caldwell County D. M. Wheeler.
To Avery County: N. S. Hampton.
To Baptist State Convention: Wm. M. Lee.

J. W. Woods, Wade Greene, Com.

Treasurers report was read by the Clerk, and adopted.

REPORT of TREASURER.

Received from the Association at its session in 1915:

Minute Fund	$12.60
Orphanage,	12.26
Foreign Missions,	2.60
State Missions,	1.06
Total received,	$28.52
Collection credited to Boone's Fork church for Orphanage,	5.02
Paid for Minute Fund by Bro. Thos. L. Day,	.40
Received by letter from Elk church for Minute Fund,	.55
GRAND TOTAL RECEIVED,	$34.49

(Treasurer's Report,—continued.)

Paid for Minutes and Mailing,	$ 8.55
" Orphanage,	17.28
" State Missions,	1.06
" Foreign Missions,	2.60
" Clerk,	5.00
Total paid out,	$34.49

Wm. M. Lee, Clerk & Treasurer.

On motion, the Clerk was appointed Treasurer, and to have these Minutes printed and distributed.

The Report of Wm. M. Lee, a member of the Committe appointed to visit New River Church to learn the cause, or reason, why the Church has not represented the last two years, was read as follows:

I visited the New River Church, on Oct. 30,and 31, 1915. The Pastor, Rev. Mr. Arnold, speaking for the Church, informed me that members of the New River Church, had become so immoral that the only way to get rid of the immoral and intruding members, was to Dis-band, and that, at his suggestion, the New River Church, Disbanded, and re-organized, and changed the name, and joined the Ashe County Association.

Wm. M. Lee, Member of Com.

After remarks, the Report was adopted, and the New River Church dropped from the Association for Dis-banding.

Report on Place, Time and Preacher, was read by Bro. D.J.Church and adopted..

REPORT

The Fifty-Sixth Annual Session of the Stony Fork Baptist Association, will be held with the Mt. Paran Church, Stony Fork, Watauga County, N. C., on Tuesday after the Second Sunday in Oct. 1917. Introductory Sermon to be preached by Elder N.S.Hampton at 11 o'clock, A. M. Elder D. M. Wheeler, Alternate.

Wade Greene, D. J. Church, T. M. Watson, }
J. G. Story. J. A. Keys, T. C. Miller, } Com.

On motion the Delegates from the churches of this Association, are appointed a Committee on the Biblical Recorder, to take subscriptions for the Paper, and do all they can to get our churches to take the Paper.

On motion the Association, freely and sincerely ordered the Obituary of Sister Nora Church, wife of Bro. J. C. Church, placed in these Minutes, and Elder D. M. Wheeler gave ten cents, and the Association freely contributed 72 cents to the minute fund for this purpose.

On motion, the Clerk was advised to have three Obituaries printed

in these Minutes. The Association freely made special contribution of $1.95 to the Minute Fund to help defray the expenses of printing and distributing these minutes.

The report on Finance was read by Elder N. S. Hampton, and adopted.

REPORT on FINANCE.

Received for	Minutes,	$11.10
"	Orphanage,	7.36
"	Foreign Missions,	3.46
"	Home Missions,	1.00
"	State Missions,	2.72
"	Obituaries,	1.10
Total received,		$26.74

Allowed Clerk for services, $5.00.

N. S. Hampton, W. T. Land, D. J. Church, Com.

Bro. T. M. Watson paid 30 cts. to Mt. Paran, Minute Fund,	30
Eld. D. M. Wheeler paid 10c obituary fund for Sister Nora Church	10
Received contribution from Association to Minute Fund,	1.95
Rec'd contribution from Asso. to Obituary, Sister Nora Church	.72
Rec'd by letter from Boone's Fork Church for Minutes,	1.15
Rec'd by letter from Watauga Church for Minutes,	1.00
" " Orphanage,	1.00
Grand Total received,	$32.96

The report on Pastoral Support was read by Elder N. S. Hampton and spoken to by W. A. Proffit, and others, and adopted.

PASTORAL SUPPORT.

We believe it a duty of each and every member, to give liberally of their means which the Lord has blessed them with, to the support of their pastors, so as to enable them to give more of their time to reading and studying the Word of God and preaching the Gospel of the Kingdom. And we urge that the Deacons of each church, ask of their church, as often as each month for a free-will offering for their Pastor.

J. W. Hendrix, J. W. Woods, N. S. Hampton, Com.

On motion the Association adjourned to meet at place and time appointed.

By request the Clerk led in special prayer for the Spiritual growth of the Church.

While the congregation sang a good old song, the Association joined in an old-fashioned hand-shaking, which closed the fifty-fifth session of the Stony Fork Baptist Association.

The Clerk announced the benediction.

ELDER B. F. WILCOX, Moderator.

WM. M. LEE, Clerk.

OBITUARY

Sister Aly Beshears was was born Feb. 3, 1827. She was married to Aaron Beshears at about the age of 14 years. Their union was blessed with 7 children, 4 girls and three boys—one of her girls died a little while before she died, the other 6 children are all living — 3 boys and 3 girls.

She professed a hope in Christ and joined the Baptist church at Yellow Hill about the year 1886. She lived a beautiful, consecrated life until death, which was on May 29, 1916. Her age was 89 years, 3 months and 26 days. She lived to see the fifth generation.

The large concourse of sympathetic people who attended her funeral and burial impressably showed the high respect, love and es teem the people had for her. She is gone but not forgotten. Dear children, relatives and friends, prepare to meet Mother Beshears in Heaven.

Our Sister 's left us here below,
In this sad world of sin and care;
But we believe she 's gone to rest,
With all the faithful and the blest.

Wm. M. Lee.

OBITUARY

Sister Mattie Woodie was born Mch. 21, 1885, and departed this life Aug. 27, 1915. Age 30 years, 5 months, and 6 days. She was married to J. Avery Woodie on May 29th 1902. This happy union was blessed with 3 children—1 girl and 2 boys, all of which survive their mother. Sister Woodie professed a hope in Christ in May 1910 at Yellow Hill church, joined, and was baptized into the fellowship of Yellow Hill church and lived a consecrated Christian life till death. She is gone but not forgotten. Sister Woodie was a faithful attendant of the Sunday-school as long as she was able to go about. She had a host of friends. She was loved by all who knew her. Her body was laid in the Yellow Hill cemetery.

Dear husband do not weep, for your heavy loss is her eternal gain; and the separation will not be long. Dear children weep not, but strive to comfort your hearts with the thought that mother is over in the glory land, just watching, and waiting, and beconing for you to come. May God's richest blessings rest upon all who are bereaved.

"Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth; Yea saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labours; and their works do follow them."

Mother who lies sleeping now, beneath the church-yard sod,

Showed by all her lifelong journey, that she ever walked with God.

By Winnie, and Nancy Mikeal.

OBITUARY.

In memory of our dear departed sister, Nora Church.

Sister Nora Church was born Oct. 13th, 1884 and departed this life April, 12th 1916. Age 31 years, 5 months and 29 days.

She was married to J. C. Church on Nov. 12, 1904. Their happy union was blessed with 4 children, 3 girls and one boy. Two of the children died before their mother, one girl and the little boy. Two of the sweet little girls are living. Sister Nora professed a hope in Christ and joined the Baptist church at Boone's Fork Oct. 30, 1903.

Dear sister Church is gone but not forgotten. She told her husband some time before she died, that she had rather live, but if her time had come to die, that she was ready to go. With a mother's parting blessing, she left the dear little children in the care of her dear husband and told him to keep the sweet little girls with him, and take them to Sunday-school and to preaching, and to make nice little women of them, and above all to teach them to be Christians.

Sister Church lived a beautiful consecrated Christian life, but she has answered the call, and is now in the Paradise of God, with her two little children, that had gone before, and where she can bask in the smiles of her blessed Redeemer she loved so much while here with her loved ones.

Dear Brother Church, do not over-weep, for your heavy loss is her eternal gain, and the separation will not be long. Dear sweet little girls, strive not to weep, but to comfort your tender hearts with the thought, that mother is in the Glory land, just watching and waiting and beconing for you to come. May God's richest blessings rest upon all who are bereaved. And now may we say: Heavenly Father comfort and strengthen the dear lonely husbund, the beautiful little girls, all relatives and friends, and every loved one who has been made sad by this death. Help us all to consecrate our lives to Jesus Christ, and to keep the time in mind, and look forward to it, when we shall see and hear sister Church again.

"Dearest sister thou hast left us;
Here thy loss we deeply feel;
But 'tis God that hath bereft us;
He can all our sorrows heal."

By Wm. M. Lee.

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS

CHURCHES	SUPT.	SECRETARY	P. O.		Enrolled	Average	Contribution to Orphanage	Con. for Literature	Con. for Missions	Con. for For. Missions	Con. for All Other
Boone's Fork	J. C. Church	Monela Dula,	Shulls Mills,	N.C							$15.00
Doe Ridge	J. R. Brown	A. A. Brown,	Boone	"	35						1.00
Elk											
Laurel Fork	J G Story	T M Story	Blowing Rock	"	40	30					1.00
Mt. Vernon	Jerry Day	Miss Ina Elrod	Boone	"	140	56			2.34		7.27
Mt Ephraim	N. G. Wheeler	Bell Hayes	Bamboo	"	44	40					3.00
Mt. Paran											
Middle Cane											
New Hopewell											
Poplar Grove	W. L. Haynes	I G Cook	Adams	"		65		3.15	4.90		3.02
Rock Spring											
Watauga	L M Hodges	C M Townsend	Banner's Elk	"	52	35		3.00			
Yellow Hill	Mrs S J Church	E R Mikeal	Summit	"		51	1.00	11.67	2.40	3.60	.61
Totals, 8					311	277	1.00	17.82	9.64	3.60	30.90

STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCHES	Ord. Ministers	Licentiates	PASTORS	CLERKS	P. O.	Church Days	By Baptism.	By Letter	Restored	Lost by Letter	Excluded	Died	Total Membership	Minute Fund	Orphanage Fund	Mission Fund	Paid Pastor	Other Objects
Boone's Fork			N. S. Hampton	J. C. Church,	Shulls Mills N.C	2	0	0	1	3	0	4	62	1.15	0.00	0.00	00.00	000.00
Doe Ridge	2	1	N S Hampton	J R Brown,	Zionville "	4	0	2					35	.50			4.65	
Elk			G W Brown	F L Dula,	Elkville, "	3	6	2		1			43	1.25			24.00	
Laurel Fork			E M Gragg	J G Story,	Blowing Rock"	3	11				1	2	105	1.25			42.35	
Mt. Vernon			E M Gragg	C M Critcher,	Boone "	1	14	5		4	2	1	212	2.00	2.59	3.00	66.00	52.11
Mt Ephraim	3		N S Hampton	G O Triplett,	Triplett "	2	1	1	1		1		123	1.00	2.75		6.00	2.95
Mt. Paran		1	T S Robbins	Allen Watson	Stony Fork "	4	1	1		3			33	1.05			24.20	
Middle Cane			W N Church	Calvin Miller,	Triplett "	1						1	34	.50			16.75	
New Hopewell																	15.00	
Poplar Grove	1		J F Eller	P M Winkler	Shulls Mills, "	4	20	11	2	1	2	1	124	1.35	2.02	1.81	39.35	500.00
Rock Spring			I C Miller	J A Keys	Darby "	4							54	1.00			11.65	
Watauga			N S Hampton	R H Townsend	Banner's Elk "	3			1	1		2	86	1.00	1.00		40.00	60.79
Yellow Hill	3		Levi Green	H L Church	Summit "	3	2	1		7	1	1	118	2.60		1.08	34.45	
Totals, 18	9	2					55	23	5	20	7	12	1129	14.65	8.36	5.89	324.40	615.85

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MINUTES

of the 56th Annual Session of the Stony Fork Baptist Association

Directory of the Stony Fork Baptist Association.

OFFICERS:

ELDER B. F. WILCOX, Moderator, Shulls Mills, N. C.

ELDER N. S. HAMPTON, Clerk & Treas. Blowing Rock, N. C.

ORDAINED MINISTERS:

Brown, G. W.	Boone, N.C.	Hampton, N.S.	Blowing Rock NC
Church, W. N.	Summit, "	Miller, M. D.	Triplett, "
Church, J. Wm.	Summit, "	Wilcox, B. F.	Shulls Mills "
Green, Edmond	Sands, "	Wheeler, D. M.	Bamboo "

LICENTIATES:

Brown, A. M.	Boone, N.C.	Lee, B. C.	Summit, N.C.
Miller, Thomas,	Stony Fork, "	Watson, G. D.	Virgil, "
		Watson, Marshal.	

Delegates to Baptist State Convention:

Eld. B. F. Wilcox and Z. T. Green, Shulls Mills, N. C.

Proceedings

Mt. Paran Baptist Church, Watauga County, N. C.,
Tuesday, October 16th, 1917.

The Stony Fork Baptist Association met in its fifty-sixth annual session with Mt. Paran church, at Stony Fork, N. C.

After beautiful singing by the choir, led by Rev. T. S. Robbins, Elder N. S. Hampton read the first four verses of the second chapter of Hebrews and Elder B. F. Wilcox led in prayer.

Eld. N. S. Hampton preached the introductory sermon from Heb. 2: 3. Text: "Great Salvation." Theme: General, Rich, Eternal, All-sufficient and Triumphant Salvation.

Prayer by Eld. M. A. Adams. Intermission for 45 minutes.

AFTERNOON

After intermission the congregation assembled in the church, and after singing by the choir, the Moderator called the association to order and Elder M. A. Adams led in prayer.

Appointed N. S. Hampton clerk pro tem. to fill vacancy caused by the death of Elder Wm. M. Lee.

The delegates handed in the associational letters which were read by Z. T. Green and N. S. Hampton.

The following names of delegates were enrolled:

Boone's Fork—Linney Coffey.
Doe Ridge—G W Brown.
Elk—W T Land.
Middle Cane—Lee Minton, Calvin Miller.
Mt. Vernon—W D Hampton, J A Hampton, Harris Cook.
Mt. Ephraim—N G Wheeler, J W Hayes, M D Miller.
Mt. Paran—S L Green, G D Watson, Marshal Watson.
New Hopewell—By letter.
Poplar Grove—Z T Green, W L Haynes.
Laurel Fork—W D Ashley.
Rock Spring—(2d day)T M Hawkins, I T Barnett.
Watauga—Clifford Shook, R H Townsend.
Yellow Hill—H L Beshears.

In memory of the deceased brother, Elder Wm. M. Lee, the choir sang, "When I am Gone."

Proceeded to elect officers. Elders M. A. Adams and I. C. Miller served as Tellers, and reported Elder B. F. Wilcox elected Moderator, and no election for clerk.

A second ballot was taken and Tellers reported N. S. Hampton elected Clerk. On motion received report and Tellers discharged.

Invited Correspondents and visitors to seats. Eld. M. A. Adams of Boone, N. C. in the interest of the State Board and Biblical Recorder, and Elders Asa Brown, I. C. Miller, and E. M. Gragg, from Three Forks association, and Elder T. S. Robbins of Caldwell County association, accepted seats.

Extended invitation to churches wishing to unite with this association. None present.

Empowered the Moderator and Clerk to make all temporary appointments during this session, and they announced the following:

On Devotional Exercises: Pastor and delegates of Mt. Paran Ch.
Order of Business: Asa Brown, M. A. Adams, E. M. Gragg with the Moderator and Clerk.
Resolutions: W. T. Land, H. L. Beshears.
Sunday Schools: J. A. Hampton, W. G. Todd, G. W. Brown.
Orphanage: N. G. Wheeler, W. D. Hampton, Z. T. Green.
Education: M. A. Adams, Z. T. Green.
Temperance: A. L. Coffey, M. D. Miller, W. N. Church.
State Missions: Asa Brown, M. A. Adams, I. C. Miller.
Home Missions: W. T. Land, T. C. Miller.

Foreign Missions: W. D. Ashley, Lee Minton, W. L. Haynes.
Periodicals: J. A. Hampton, E. M. Gragg, I. C. Miller.
Correspondence: Marshal Watson, W. G. Todd, T. S. Robbins.
Finance: Z. T. Green, W. T. Land.
Pastoral Support: S. L. Green, Harris Cook.
Place, Time, and Preacher: H. L. Beshears, W. L. Haynes, R. H. Townsend.

Committee on devotional exercises report that Elder M. A. Adams preach tomorrow at 11 o'clock a. m.

Adjourned to meet tomorrow at 9 a. m. and spend 30 minutes in devotional exercises, conducted by Elder Asa Brown.

S. L. Green announced homes for the delegates.

Sang "How Firm a Foundation." Prayer by Elder I. C. Miller.

SECOND DAY, Wednesday, Oct. 17, 1917.

After singing by the choir, Elder Asa Brown read 23d chapter of Psalms and Elder E. M. Gragg led in prayer. The choir sang, "I live on." Elder Asa Brown led in prayer, also making some touching remarks, after which the Moderator called association to order.

Called the roll of delegates and marked absentees.

Read and adopted report on Order of Business, allowing the Moderator to take up the items to the best advantage for the progress of the association.

Read and approved minutes of yesterday.

Invited correspondents and visitors to seats. None present.

On motion left off reading Rules of Decorum and Articles of Faith

Report on Sunday-schools was read by W. G. Todd, and spoken to by Elders E. M. Gragg, Asa Brown, M. A. Adams and adopted.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS

We believe that the Sunday School is the church at work, and through its work more of the masses of the people are being reached and brought under the influence of the Holy Spirit than than can be done any other way. We believe that every church should have an evergreen Sunday-school and that they should be kept open twelve months in the year. From the reports of Minutes we learn that more conversions come from the Sunday-school than from any other source. Solomon said: "Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old he will not depart from it." When our Savior was on earth He taught in the synagogue on the Sabbath day, and it is an examble that we as His followers should imitate, humbly asking His guidance in this great work, and we believe that all pastors should urge their members to greater efforts in this great work of the Sunday-school.

G. W. Brown,
J. Amos Hampton, } Com
W. G. Todd,

Report on Temperance was read by A. L. Coffey, and spoken to by T. C. Miller, S. L. Green, N. G. Wheeler, Elders G. W. Brown and T. S. Robbins and adopted.

TEMPERANCE REPORT

We believe that temperance should be maintained and more advanced by the earnest and persistent efforts of its friends the same as other righteous causes, and there should be the highest admonitions given our people to be temperate in all things

We should have a more persistent, determined prosecution of the law against all violators of our prohibition laws. We should ever be on the watch for intemperance and guard against it, for the cause of our dear Savior, and for the upbuilding of our people. We also urge that our ministers impress the people more as to their whole duty to give more attention to the cause of temperance, and should be borne by every good citizen of every community, especially every Baptist ought not to do less than to look after the cause more than ever before. How shall we escape if we neglect our duty?

A. L. Coffey, M. D. Miller, W. N. Church, Com.

At this time the delegates from Rock Spring church handed in associational letter and names of messengers were enrolled.

Report on State Missions was read by Elder M. A. Adams.

Report on Home Missions was read by W. T. Land.

Report on Foreign Missions was read by W. D. Ashley.

The three reports were discussed by M. A. Adams, and adopted.

REPORT on STATE MISSIONS

The work of State Missions is fundamental to our highest efficiency as it is baseed at the present time, the work needs our best support.

At the present time the work is laid out on a basis of $47,500.co, besides the work done by several of the associatinns. This will bring work to about $52,000.oo. This work is around, or in our Mill district, including centers and rural districts and at points where the work is just beginning. Our present Secretary, Walter N. Johnson, is now putting this work on a real business basis, organizing the work as never before. We suggest the following:

1st. That our pastors be requested to preach at least once each year on State Missions, and that they avail themselves of the obtainable supply of free literature and instructions for their churches.

2. That all of our Sunday-schools be requested to observe State Mission day in September.

3. That at least one contribution be made each year for State Missions. Respectfully submitted.

M. A. Adams, Asa Brown, I. C. Miller, Com.

REPORT on HOME MISSIONS.

We the Committee on Home Missions most earnestly request that our churches try to increase the salaries of our pastors by taking up monthly collections and that our church officers also take up quarterly collections in Sunday-school and church for Home missions. Our home field is near and dear to our hearts. The harvest is ripe in its

abundant, and laborers are few.

W. T. Land, T. C. Miller, Com.

REPORT on FOREIGN MISSIONS

That as Baptists, and enjoined by the holy Scriptures, we can not avoid urging our people to be very zealous toward Foreign Missions.

Our Savior said: go ye into all the world and make disciples of all nations. We believe to us still yet, is the marching orders of the Lord is, go teach all nations. The unchristian world is now in a peculiar condition, and the door of opportunity is now opened to us. Will we accept the invitation of Christ our savior as He says let our lights shine. Let us be true to our Lord, letting our light shine in the home, church, State, United States and unto the uttermost parts of the earth.

There are many ways in which we can go, we can go with our means and prayers or in person.

W. D. Ashley, Lee Minton, J. W. Hayes, W. L. Haynes, Com.

Adjourned to hear Eld. M. A. Adams preach.

Bro. Adams led in prayer, and then preached an able sermon. Text: "My Grace is sufficient for thee." 2nd Cor. 9:12.

Elder E. M. Gragg led in prayer.

AFTER NOON SESSION.

After singing, "I want to go there, don't you," led by J. Amos Hampton, and prayer by Eld. G. W. Brown.

The association was called to order.

Report on Orphanage was read by Z. T. Green, spoken to by N. G. Wheeler, N. S. Hampton, W. D. Hampton, and adopted.

REPORT on ORPHANAGE.

We your committee on Orphanage beg leave to report as follows:—

We have now two orphanage plantations and the prospect of a third. Our first and oldest plant is at Thomasville. Here is the major portion of the work at present. Our main farm and plant is located in Lenoir Co. N. C., known as the Kennedy Home. We also have a prospective plant in Transylvania Co., available at the death of the present incumbrance.

At Thomasville and the Kennedy Home we have 580 children. The management is good and the training excellent, all of which we heartily recommend.

The cost of maintaining one child is 35 cts. per day, or for 530 children one day $195 50. Considering the high prices of every thing and the quality of service rendered, we think it very reasonable indeed. This involves a large expenditure, a year's support totaling about $600,000. To meet these demands we make the following suggestions to our churches and Sunday-schools:—

1. That every Sunday-school take a monthly collection for the current fund of our Orphanage.

2. That our churches have a thanksgiving offering for the current fund.

3. That our Sunday-schools take Charity and Children in clubs for use in their work.

4. That some one be appointed by each church as an orphanage representative. Respectfully submitted.

Z. T. Green, N. G. Wheeler, W. D. Hampton, Com.

The committee on devotional exercises reported that Elder E. M. Gragg preach tomorrow at 11 a. m. and Elder Asa Brown follow.

Report on Periodicals was read by the clerk and spoken to by Elders E. M. Gragg and B. F. Wilcox and adopted.

REPORT on PERIODICALS

Periodicals literally means all of the reading matter published by our denomination for our people. Taking this as our definition we have in our State the Biblical Recorder as the general organ of our work. Charity and Children as the exponent of our orphanage work.

In our Southern Baptist Convention we have— 1st Our Sunday-school Literature, this is complete and the best that can be had anywhere.

2. Home and Foreign Field as the exponent of our mission work.

3. The Royal Ambassador, published at Baltinore, Md.

4. The Mountain Trout, published by our Mission Board for free distribution.

All of these are solidly Baptist and well adapted to our people, and we earnestly suggest that our people take our literature for our work

E. M. Gragg, J. Amos Hampton, Com.

Report on Pastoral Support was read by S. L. Green. Spoken to by S. L. Green, Lee Minton, W. D. Hampton, J. W. Hayes, N. G. Wheeler, and adopted.

REPORT on PASTORS' SUPPORT

We believe that it is the duty of every member of the church to help their pastors. "They that preach the gospel should live by the gospel," and while we have been blessed to live and blessed with means and to live in a land of plenty, it is our duty to help bear our pastors' burdens, and we urge that the clerk, or some other wide-awake member of each church impress this matter on its members at least once each month.

S. L. Green, H. G. Cook, Com.

Report on Correspondents was read by T. S. Robbins, spoken to by T. S. Robbins and adopted.

REPORT on CORRESPONDENTS.

To Three Forks Association: Eld. N. S. Hampton, N. G. Wheeler.
To Brushy Mountain: W. T. Land.
To Ashe: Lee Minton, H. L. Beshears.
To Caldwell County: Elder W. N. Church, G. D. Watson.
To Avery County: Elder M. D. Miller, J. Amos Hampton.
To Baptist State Convention: Eld. B. F. Wilcox, Z. T. Green.
T. S. Robbins, G. M. Watson. W. G. Todd, Com.

Called for Treasurers report. Treasurer, Wm. M. Lee being dead no report available.

Appointed H. L. Beshears to get all books, records and reports available and return to the Clerk at once, and empowered the Clerk to make the proper entries.

Correspondents of last year reported.

Appointed N. S. Hampton Treasurer, and to superintend the printing and distribution of the minutes.

Adjourned to meet tomorrow at 9 o'clock a. m. and spend 30 minutes in devotional services, conducted by T. S. Robbins.

A. L. Coffey led in prayer.

THIRD DAY, Thursday, Oct. 18, 1917.

After singing by the choir, Eld. T. S. Robbins read 1st chapter of Gal. and led in prayer.

Song, "Are you ready for the judgement."

The Moderator called the association to order.

W. T. Land read the report on Finance which was adopted.

FINANCE REPORT.

Received for	Minutes,	$17.52
"	Orphanage,	12.85
"	Home Missions,	3.80
"	Obituaries,	2.39
"	Foreign Missions,	3.53
	Total,	$40.09

Allowed Clerk for his services, $6.00.

Respectfully submitted. W. T. Land, } Com.
Z. T. Green, }

Report on Place, Time ann Preacher was read by W. L. Haynes The time of week for the convening of the association was spoken to by S. L. Green, Marshal Watson, W. D. Hampton, W. L. Haynes, Z. T. Greene, N. G. Wheeler, and adopted.

REPORT on PLACE TIME and PREACHER.

The 57 annual session of the Stony Fork Baptist association will convene with Yellow Hill Baptist church, Summit, N. C. Time, Tuesday after the second Sunday in October 1918., Eld. B. F. Wilcox to preach the annual sermon at 11 o'clock a. m. Elder D. M. Wheeler, alternate.

W. L. Haynes, H. L. Beshears, Com.

Elder N. S. Hampton suggested that at this point, prayer be offered for the spiritual growth in this association.

The Moderator led in prayer.

The choir sang "I want to go there."

The report on Education was read by Z. T. Green, and spoken to

by Z. T. Green, S. L. Green, N. G. Wheeler, Elders I. C. Miller, N. S. Hampton, Thomas Miller, and B. F. Wilcox, and adopted.

REPORT on EDUCATION

The educational situation in N. C. at the present time demands our most serlous attention from the following viewpoints.

I. Our public school system. We, as Baptists, have always stood for the masses of our people, and we wish to reiterate our position at this time in regard to our public schools.

We most ardently believe that the State's first duty is to the public schools of N. C. It is our candid opinion that these schools should be better equipped with better houses, better equipment for teachers to do the work, and that the teachers in our public schools should be paid better salaries for this work. This we honestly believe to be the state's first duty.

II. In regard to the training of our ministry for their work. The times are here when the very best training possible for our men who are called to preach shall be offered them. The times will demand all there is in us for the future. Opportunity can be cecured for training at the present time for the work whenever desired.

There is the help offered at Wake Forest and the Seminaries for those who desire it, and the trust fund at some of our secondary schools is available for those who are not ready for these higher institutions. We suggest that for our young men called into the ministry.

III. Work in our higher institutions

We have three of these—Wake Forest college for our boys and the training of our workers, that has no superior anywhere in the quality of work done and we deem this institution highly essential to our highest progress. Then there is Meredith and Chowan colleges for our girls. These are doing a great work and we most earnestly urge our people, when sending their children to higher institutions of learning to send them to our own schools.

M. A. Adams }
Z. T. Green. } Com

The Com. on Devotional Exercises report that in the absence of the brother to preach at hour, that Elders B. F. Wilcox and I. C. Miller fill the appointment.

Empowered the clerk to insert in the minutes the obituary of John Cook, J. W. Woods, Henry Harrison Church, Elder Wm. M. Lee and his photograph, and Bettie Brown.

The Moderator appointed each delegate a committee to canvass their respective churches and take collections to pay on erecting a monument at Elder Wm. M. Lee's grave.

Adjourned for 30 minutes.

Reassembled. After singing, Eld. I. C. Miller read part of the 15 chapter of St. John and led in prayer.

Elder B. F. Wilcox preached an impressive sermon. Text: Psalms 34: 7. Bro. Miller spoke with much interest. Text: Rev. 14: 6.

Spent 30 minutes in memory of our much beloved brother, Elder

Wm. M. Lee. Elders N. S. Hampton, I. C. Miller, T. S. Robbins, B. F. Wilcox, all, spoke of his devoted, noble life, and his acceptance with God. H. L. Beshears spoke of the great loss to his church and community felt in the death of Bro. Lee.

Thomas Miller, Lee Minton, N. G. Wheeler all spoke of his noble Christian life of influence and power for good. The congregation stood in approvel of his devoted life in Christ.

A collection was taken to have the photograph of Bro. Lee spread in our minutes. Collection $1.00.

Adjourned to meet at time and place.

After remarks by the Moderator, sang "Good bye," and engaged in an old-fashioned hand-shaking, closing one of the best sessions of the Stony Fork Association.

Prayer by Elder I. C. Miller.

B. F. WILCOX, Moderator.

N. S. HAMPTON, Clerk.

Obituary

H. H. CHURCH

In memory of brother Henry Harrison Church. He was born July 22, 1844, and departed this life March 5, 1917. Age, 75 years.

He professed a hope in Christ more than thirty eight years before his death. Was Secretary and Treasurer of the first Sunday-school organized at Yellow Hill church, the first Sunday in May, 1879, and served this Sunday-school as its superintendent more than half of the Sunday-school's existance before his death. He was a deacon for many years, and served his church as clerk for a number of years. He was an ardent believer in the Missionary cause, taught it and practiced it to the limit of his ability. He was a Master Mason and served his lodge as Chaplain, which position he held at his death. He was exceptionally fond of childreu, ever working and striving for their enlightenment and uplift, and was loved by all the children of his acquaintance. He was very humble in his nature, always ready to forgive any wrong which might have been done him, an ardent worker for peace in his community.

He leaves a widow, a number of grown and married children, and a host of friends to mourn his absence. Brother Church did not live for self alone, but he was public-spirited, patriotic, charitable, and a constant worker for the Master's cause, in fact as well as in name, his life's work being a benediction to all who knew him.

C. C. Kees, Flora Woodie, Com.

TABLE I.—STATISTICAL

CHURCH	PASTOR	P. O.	CLERK	P. O.	Time of Preaching	Value of Ch Property	Received By Baptism	Rec. by Letter	Restored	Dis. by Letter	Excluded	Died	No. Males	No. Females	Total Membership
Boone's Fork	G. L. Hodges	Blowing Rock NC	J. C. Church	Shulls Mills, N. C.	4	$400	7	12	1	1	..	1	31	50	81
Doe Ridge	N S Hampton	Blowing Rock "	J R Brown	Zionville "	4	200						1	10	21	31
Elk	J T Hendrix	Darby	F L Dula	Elkville	2	.....			1	2		1	7	33	40
Laurel Fork	G L Hodges	Blowing Rock	J G Storie	Blowing Rock	1	400	15	8		1	1	1	48	63	111
Mt. Vernon	E M Gragg	Boone	C M Critcher	Boone	4	.....	7	5		5	2	3			214
Mt. Ephraim	N S Hampton	Blowing Rock	Joe Wheeler	Bamboo	2	500	14	6	1	1		1			142
Mt. Paran	T S Robbins	Buffalo Cove	Allen Watson	Stony Fork	1	200	2	1					16	18	34
Middle Cane	W N Church	Summit	Calvin Miller	Triplett	3	.....	2								35
New Hopewell	W B Bryant	Finley	L E Gragg	Gragg	1	250	23		2	20	1		38	84	122
Poplar Grove	J F Eller	Vilas	P M Williams	Shulls Mills	4	3000	6	17		1		2	63	63	126
Rock Springs	D M Wheeler	Bamboo	J A Keys	Darby	4	300	15	14				1	38	34	86
Watauga	N S Hampton	Blowing Rock	R H Townsend	Banners Elk	3	400	11	7					38	66	104
Yellow Hill	Levi Green	Hopkins	W S Church	Summit	3	700	38	7	3	2	4	2	57	98	155
						6.350	140	77	8	33	8	13			1.281

Table 2.—Financial

CHURCH	Pastor's Salary	Builning & Repairs	Incidentals	S. S. Expenses	The Poor	Minute Fund	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	S. S. Misssions	Orphanage	Other Objects	TOTAL
Boone's Fork	77.30	400.00	.....	3.00	.....	1.85	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	482.15
Doe Ridge	5.00					.65					1.25		6.90
Elk	30.00					1.50							31.50
Laurel Fork	86.25			2.25		1.00	2.10				4.70		95.30
Mt. Vernon	93.50			8.08	13.29	2.12	1.00	14.57	6.67		42.12		171.35
Mt. Ephraim	32.56			3.00	4.80	2.65						5.05	48.06
Mt. Paran	26.20			1.10		1.00							28.20
Middle Cane	27.20					.50							27.70
New Hopewell	36.00			2.55		1.25						25.50	65.30
Poplar Grove	68.07	75.00		6.15		1.40		1.30	2.53		9.00		163.45
Rock Springs	25.00			3.00		1.00	1.25						30.25
Watauga.	46.80	9.20		4.00	8.45	1.25		1.50	1.00		10.23		82.43
Yellow Hill	86.21		51.63	8.88		3.00				3.08	7.00	11.15	170 95
	640.09	484.20	51.63	42.01	26.54	19.17	4.35	17 37	10.20	3.08	74.30	41.70	1403.54

TABLE III.—SUNDAY SCHOOLS

CHURCH	SUPT.	P. O.	SEC'Y.	P. O.	No. of Schools	Officers and Teachers	Pupils	Total Enrollment	Church Members in S. S.	Months Open	Baptisms from School	School Expenses	Missions	Orphanage	Other Objects	Total Contributions
Boone's Fork	Arcilos Calaway	Shulls Mills, N.C	Blaine Coffey	Shulls Mills	1	4	82	86	47	6	.....	3.00	.....	.....	.....	3.00
Doe Ridge	No report.															
Elk	No school.															
Laurel Fork	W. D. Ashley	Blowing Rock	H M Storie	Blowing Rock	1	5	50	55	30	10		2.25				2.25
Mt. Vernon	J W Harrison	Blowing Rock	Ina Elrod	Boone	1	7	59	134		12		8.08	15.29	17.20		41.57
Mt. Ephraim	N G Wheeler	Bamboo	Belle Hayes	Triplett	1	5	53	65		12		3.00			4.80	7.80
Mt. Paran	G D Watson	Virgil	S L Green	Stony Fork	1	4	34	78	17	6		1.10				1.10
Middle Cane	No report.															
New Hopewell	L E Gragg	Gragg	Queen Coffey	Gragg	2	8	73	79		12	17	2.55				2.55
Poplar Grove	W R Anderson	Vilas	T C Hodges	Boone	1	8	44	98		12		6.15		7.33		13.48
Rock Springs	I T Barnett	Darby	J A Keys	Darby	1	5		107			15	3.00				3.00
Watauga	L M Hodges	Banner's Elk	C M Townsend	Banners Elk	1	6	65	71	55	12		4.00		10.23		14.23
Yellow Hill	Mrs W S Church	Summit	C C Kees	Summit	1	6	158	164	87	12		8.88	3.08	7.00	11.15	30.11
					11	58	618	937	236		32	39.97	18.37	41 76	15.95	119.08

Obituaries

ELDER WM. M. LEE was born March 6th, 1847, and departed this life July 3d, 1917. Aged 70 years and nearly four months.

He joined the church at Old Fishing Creek Church Oct. 10, 1865 and later moved his membership, being a member of Yellow Hill church for quite a number of years—till his death. He began to preach the gospel in June 1879, and continued actively in the ministerial work till death. He was made Clerk of his Association in 1869 and served in this capacity nearly all the remaining years of his life, being Clerk of the Stony Fork Association at his death.

Bro. Lee filled other offices in church work, was superintendent of the first Sunday-school organized at Yellow Hill church in 1879, and was serving this same Sunday- school as a committeeman on arrangements at his death. He preached straight missionary doctrine as is taught by the Bible, taught it, lived it, and was a great friend to the different orphanages and all charitable institutions.

Bro. Lee was a Master Mason, was serving his lodge as Secretary at his death, was an Odd Fellow, serving his lodge as Chaplain when the final summons came. He has served his county as a representative in the State Legislature, his district in the State Senate, was serving the Order of Rebeccas as Deputy State President to his death. He filled many offices of service and honor,his life being one of meek and humble, but able service for his people and the Master.

Brother Lee leaves a widow and a number of grown and married children and a host of friends covering his wide aquaintance to mourn his absence.

To know him was to love him, those living nearest his door and knowing his every-day life best, loved him best. Those in need never called upon Bro. Lee in vain. With deep sorrow we write Brother Lee's name as deceased, indeed we feel that he is not dead, but just away.

W. S. Church, C. C. Kees, Flora Woodie, Com.

BROTHER JOHN COOK was born Oct. 23, 1827. Died Sept. 25, 1917. Age 89 years, 11 months, and 2 days.

Brother Cook was married to Miss Mary Harrison, daughter of Rev. Joseph Harrison, in the year 1854. To this union were born 11 children—6 boys and 5 girls. Three of the boys died in early life, 8 of the children yet living, all members of the Baptist church in good standing.

Sister Mary Cook died May 21, 1904.

Obituaries

Brother and Sister Cook both professed faith in Christ and joined the Baptist church in early life and lived model lives and remained consistent members, serving the greater part of their Christian lives as Deacon and Deaconess.

They loved the Bible and believed it to be the Word of God, and the power of God unto salvation to every one that believe it in obedience to Christ, the Bishop and Shepherd of their souls.

They are missed in the home, in the church and the community. To know them was to love and cherish their noble and devoted conversations; being slow to express an opinion, ever being sure to speak the truth in love. Those that knew them best have no doubt that their souls are with the blessed.

Dear children and relatives, weep not, but strive to comfort your hearts with the thought that father and mother are over in the Glory land, just watching and waiting and beconing for you to come. It wont be long till the test will be on, and are we ready to go and join father, mother and dear loved ones with Jesus when He calls?

As we view the home and church, the forms of Father and Mother are not there, but it is God who has called them to His arms into rest, sweet rest, with the blessed for the souls, their bodies mouldering in the cold, cold clay. Yet a fire of memory is burning in our souls that they showed by their lifelong journey that they walked with God.

Dearest ones, thou hast left us;
Here thy loss we deeply feel;
But 'tis God that hath bereft us;
He can all our sorrows heal.

By N. S. Hampton.

BROTHER J. W. WOODS was born August 11, 1853, and died June 3, 1918. Age 63 years, 9 months, and 22 days.

He was married to Nancy E. Proffit January 6, 1878. There survives of this union 7 children—5 boys and 2 girls.

Soon after marriage he professed faith in Christ and united with the Baptist church at Mt. Zion, N. C. In 1878 he moved his membership to Pleasant Hill Baptist church, and served said church as a deacon for a number of years. Later he moved his membership to Rock Springs Baptist church and remained a consistent member until death.

Obituaries

Bro. Woods was a Mason, and believed in doing things right.

Dear wife and children, weep not, but comfort your hearts with the thought that brother Woods is not dead, but he, the spiritual man, is over in the Glory land present with spirits and angels, and the beconing hand is inviting you to be ready, for the test will soon be on. Are you ready if God should call, to meet as a whole family at Jesus' feet?

May God's richest blessings rest upon all who are bereaved.

By N. S. Hampton.

BETTIE BROWN was born February 27, 1873, and departed this life June the 27, 1917.

Sister Brown professed a hope in Christ and joined the Baptist church at Brushy Fork, and later moved her membership to Doe Ridge church and remained till death.

She was married to G. W. Brown July 3, 1887, and to this union was born one daughter who is yet living.

Sister Brown lived a consistent Christian life till death. There is a vacant seat in the home. Sister Brown was willing to die, and told her husband and daughter not to weep for her. Sister Brown was kind and loving to all, and always at her church meetings, and filled her seat. She was loved by all who knew her.

We can say: Husband and daughter, weep not, your loss is her eternal gain.

She was laid to rest in the Hines graveyard.

Our sister's left us here in tears
In this sad world of sin and care,
But we believe she's gone to rest,
With all the faithful and the blest.

Edmond Green, Nancy E. Green,
Mary A. Foster, Jennie Miller, } Com

—PRINTER'S NOTE—

I sent the photograph of Eld. Wm. M. Lee to the engraver, enclosing amount usually charged for such work, in order to insert the picture in the Minutes. After waiting some time, I was informed by the engraver that the price of such work had recently advanced so that the plate would cost $2.45. I immediately wrote the clerk of the association stating the cost of the plate and asking for advice, and have waited two weeks for reply and have received none, I am leaving out the picture as I could not afford to pay the extra cost of making the plate, as the job of making the Minutes is worth $3.00 more than I am getting for it.

I am sorry the picture could not be printed this time, but it can be done next year if desired.

I am also sorry that this has caused considerable delay in getting the Minutes out.

W. H. M.

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MINUTES

OF THE

58th ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

STONY FORK MISSIONARY

Baptist Association

HELD WITH

Yellow Hill Baptist Church

Wilkes County, N. C.,

SEPTEMBER 13, & 14, 1919.

ELDER B. F. WILCOX, Moderator, Shulls Mills, N. C.
ELDER N. S. HAMPTON, Clerk & Treas., Blowing Rock, N. C.

The 59th annual session of the Stony Fork Baptist association will be held with the Mt. Vernon Baptist Church five miles east of Boone, N. C., convening on Tuesday after the second Sunday in Sept.,

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Annual sermon by Elder N. S. Hampton at 11 o'clock A. M.
Elder D. M. Wheeler, Alternate.

WillH. McGuire, Printer, Brookside, N. C.

1919 1919

MINUTES

Of the 58th Annual Session of the Stony Fork Missionary Baptist Association.

Directory of the Stony Fork Baptist Association.

OFFICERS:

EDER B. F. WILCOX, Moderator, Shulls Mills, N. C.
ELDER N. S. HAMPTON, Clerk & Treas. Blowing Rock, N. C.

ASSOCIATIONAL EX. COMMITTEE

N. S. Hampton, Chairman.
Z. T. Green, Secry.,
H. L. Beshears.

Delegates to State Convention: Z. T. Green, W. S. Church.

ORDAINED MINISTERS:

Brown, G. W.	Boone, N. C.	Hampton, N. S.	Blowing Rock, NC
Church, W. N.	Summit, "	Miller, M. D.	Triplet, "
Church, J. Wm.	" "	Wilcox, B. F.	Shulls Mills. "
Green, Edmond,	Sands, "	Wheeler, D. M.	Bamboo, "
		Watson, G. M.	Stony Fork, "

LICENTIATES:

Brown, A. M.	Boone, N. C.		
Miller, Thomas	Stony Fork, "	Watson, G. D.	Stony Fork, "

PROCEEDINGS

Yellow Hill Baptist Church, Wilkes County, N. C.
Tuesday Oct. 14, 1919.

The Stony Fork Baptist Association met in its fifty eighth annual session.

After beautiful singing by the choir, Rev. B. F. Wilcox read 29th Psalm. Sang How Firm a Foundation. J. F. Church led in prayer.

Elder B. F. Wilcox preached an able and interesting sermon from Psalm 29:2. Elder N. S Hampton led in prayer.

Sang "Jesus Lover of My Soul." Adjourned for one hour.

AFTERNOON

After intermission the congregation assembled in the church, and after singing by the choir, the delegates handed in the associational letters which were read by Z. T. Green and H. L. Beshears.

The following delegates were enrolled:

Boone's Fork—J F Church.
Doe Ridge—G W Brown.
Elk—By letter.
Laurel Fork—By letter.
Mt. Vernon—J W Harrison, G W Gragg, J A Hampton.
Mt. Ephraim—J W Hayes, Joe Wheeler.
Mt. Paron—Thos. Miller.
Middle Cane—Calvin Miller.
New Hopewell—By letter.
Poplar Grove—T C Hodges, Z T Green.
Rock Springs—J A Keys.
Watauga—By letter.
Yellow Hill—D J Church, H L Beshears, C. C. Keys.

Proceeded to elect officers. G. W Gragg moved, and it carried to cast the ballot of the association for the present Moderator and Clerk.

Invited correspondents and visitors to seats. Rev. Joe Wilcox from Ashe association accepted a seat.

Extended an invitation to churches wishing to unite with this association.

Empowered the Moderator and Clerk to make all temporary appointments during this session, and they announced the following:

On Devotional Exercises: Pastor and delegates of Yellow Hill church
Order of Business: J. W. Harrison, J. F. Church, Rev. Joe Wilcox, Moderator and Clerk.
Resolutions: J. Amos Hampton, Joe Wheeler, J. W. Hayes
Sunday Schools: J. W. Harrison, W. S. Church, Thos. Miller.
Orphanage: G. W. Gragg, G. W. Brown, D. J. Church
Education: Z. T. Green, C. C. Kees, Calvin Miller.
Temperanc: D. J. Church, W. N. Church, J. F. Church.
State Missions: H. L. Beshears, T. C. Hodges, Joe Wheeler.
Home Missions: J. Amos Hampton, G.W. Brown, W. S. Church.
Foreign Missions: Rev. J. H. Wilcox, Z. T. Green, J. W. Hayes.
Periodicals: G. W. Gragg, J. F. Church, C. C. Kees.
Correspondence: J. A. Hampton, A. G. Beshears, H. L. Church.
Finance: John Beshears, Noah Michael, J. W. Harrison.
Pastoral Support: D. J. Church, W. S. Church, Joe Wilcox.
Place Time and Preacher: G. W Gragg, J. W. Harrison, C. Miller.

Clerk read the report of last year's work and the association received the report and ordered it anexed to this year's minutes.

Appointed G. W. Gragg and J.T.Green committee on obituaries.

Read letter from brother Linney Coffey who deceased after the writing of letter in France.

Moved and carried to print letter in minutes.

D. J Church assigned delegates, homes.

Adjourned to meet tomorrow at 8:30 a. m., and spend 30 minutes in devotional exercises conducted by Eld. Joe Wilcox.

Sang, "Am I a Soldier of the Cross." Prayer by N. S. Hampton.

SECOND DAY, Wednesday Oct. 15, 1919.

After beautiful singing by choir, led by J. A. Hampton, Rev. Joe Wilcox read 3rd chapter of Proverbs. Sang, There is a Fountain filled with Blood. Prayer by Rev. M. A. Adams.

Sang, "How Firm a Foundation." N. S. Hampton led in prayer.

Read and adopted report on Order of Business.

Read and adopted minutes of yesterday.

Called the roll of delegates and marked absentees.

Invited correspondents and visitors to seats.

Rev. M. A. Adams, associate director of the 75 Million Dollar Campaign, in this and other associations, and

W. S. Church, Noah Michael, and John Beshears of Stony Fork accepted seats.

J. F. Church read the report on Temperance, and was spoken to by J. F. Church, W. N. Church, N. S. Hampton, W. S Church, Thos. Miller, and adopted.

TEMPERANCE REPORT.

We believe that Temperance should be maintained and more advanced by the earnest and persistant efforts of its friends, the same as other righteous causes, and this should be the first admonition given to our people: to be temperate in all things.

We should have a more persistant determined prosecution of the laws against all violators of our prohibition laws. We should ever be on the watch for intemperance and guard against it for the cause of our dear Saviour and for the upbuilding of our people. We also urge that our ministers impress the people more as to their whole duty, to give more attention to the cause of temperance and should be taught by every good citizen of our community, especially every Baptist ought not not to do less than to look after this cause more than ever before.

We find that the laws of God are broken as well as the laws of our country, and the dangerous drugs are used extensively, and we advise that our Baptist people try to restore the broken law by means of prosecuting and using all their influence against all who are indulging in the use of strong drink. We further urge that the voters of our association do not support any officer who is not a temperance man. Respectfully submitted,

J. F. Church, W. M. Church, D. J. Church, Com.

Report on Periodicals was read by G. W. Gragg, and spoken to by G. W. Gragg, J. F. Church, and M. A. Adams and adopted.

PERIODICALS

Periodicals literally means all of the reading matter published by our denomination for our people.

We, your committee, recommend:

1. The Biblical Recorder.
2. Home and Foreign Field.
3. Royal Ambassador.
4. Mountain Trout, published by our Mission Board,—sent free.

All of these are solidly Baptist and well adapted to our people, and we earnestly suggest that our people take our literature for our work.

C. C. Kees,
J. F. Church,
G. W. Gragg } Com.

The Report on Sunday Schools was read by W. S. Church. Spoken to by W S Church, N S Hampton, M A Adams, and B F Wilcox and adopted

SUNDAY SCHOOLS

We believe that the Sunday-school is part of the church at work, and should be all; that through its work more of the masses of the people are being reached and brought under the influence of the Holy Spirit than is done in any other way.

We believe that every Church should have an evergreen Sunday-school, and that they should be kept open twelve months in the year We believe that in working and teaching in the Sunday-school that we are following in the footsteps of Christ who taught in the synagogue on the Sabbath day. We believe that all pastors should urge their members to greater efforts in the Sunday-school work.

We believe it is the duty of all deacons to join in this work for the Master's cause, and that all members should make the Sundayschool work the center of attraction for themselves on the Sabbath day, and use their best efforts to make it attractive for all the children of their several communities. We believe that the Bible alone should be taught, but that the many helps published by the Baptist Sunday School Convention should be used, as by these helps teachers and students alike find their work easier and in line with the principles of the Missionary Baptist doctrines as is taught by the Bible.

W. S. Church, Thomas Miller, J. W. Harrison, Comm.

G. W. Gragg read the Report on

ORPHANAGE

We your committee on Orphanage beg leave to report as follows:

"But Jesus called them unto him and said, 'Suffer little chidren to

come unto me and forbid them not: for of such is the kingdom of God." Luke 18: 16.

When we think of an orphan child it should come very near unto us and should reach our sympathy to such a degree that we may go down before the Lord in their behalf, not only in prayer, but into our pockets for their support.

We have at Thomasville 600 or more children who must be fed, clothed and educated for the duties that are before them.

Now brethren: There are no other objects in our minds that are more worthy than the Orphanage.

Now we recommend that each church take a monthly collection for the orphanage; also, a thanksgiving offering, and that we take a collection in our Sunday-schools every other Sunday. By sodoing we are training our children in missions. In the 75 million dollars movement, $4, 700, 000(?) [$610,000] go to the support of the Orphanage for the next five years. So let us go over the top, especially on so worthy an object as the orphanage.

Respectfully by your committee.

D. J. Church, G. W. Gragg, G. W. Brown.

H. L. Beshears read the report on

STATE MISSIONS

State Missions as we understand is the aid of giving the gospel to the state. We earnestly indorse the work it is doing, and insist on doing more than we have ever done before.

There is a large number of people in our state that need the gospel to lift them from sin and degradation.

We suggest the following:

1 That our pastors be requested to preach at least once each year on State Missions, and that they avail themselves of the obtainable supply of free literature and instructions for their churches.

2. That all of our Sunday-schools be requested to observe State Mission Day in September.

3 That at least one contribution be made each year for State Mis.

Respectfully submitted.

H. L. Beshears,
T. C. Hodges,
Joe Wheeler,
} Com.

W. S. Church read the report on

HOME MISSIONS

We are taught by the Bible that charity begins at home, and while we are glad it does not stop there, yet we believe we far too often neglect our home missions. We urge that pastors and deacons do more to encourage the work of, and donations to, Home Missions and insist on their members to take quarterly collections for this

purpose. If any lies nearest our hearts it is the home field. Let's not stop there, but let's first do our whole duty to home missions.

W. S. Church, J. Amos Hampton, Com.

Rev. Joe Wilcox read the report on

FOREIGN MISSIONS

We find greater opportunity for Baptists on the foreign fields than ever before. That as Baptists, and enjoined by the Holy Scripture, we cannot avoid urging our people to be very zealous toward foreign missions. Our Saviour said: Go ye into all the world and make disciples of all nations Matthew 28: 19 We believe that to us yet, is the marching orders of our Lord: Go teach all nations.

Let us not stop short of the Lord's command, but let us be true witnesses, and witness for him both at Jerusalem (at home) as well as Judea and in Samaria and unto the uttermost parts of the earth. —Acts 1: 8.

The un-Christian world is looking to us for the true gospel light. Will we accept the invitation of Christ our Lord, and ask Him to send more laborers into his harvest? We insist that all give as the Lord has blessed us, of our means and money to educate and train the called of God and to support them in carrying the gospel message to the lost. By sodoing we can help preach the gospel even to the uttermost parts of the earth.

J. H. Wilcoxen, Z. T. Green, J. W. Hayes, Committee.

Z. T. Green read report on

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

The public school system of our state is not what it should be.

The school houses are poorly equipped, and the teachers' salaries are insufficient to justify them to prepare for this great work.

It is the duty therefore of the parents to stand by the teachers and help to make the schools the very best possible.

The time is here when our people should be prepared for the great task which is before them and to be unprepared means defeat to the Baptist cause everywhere.

We heartily recommend Wake Forest College for the training of our young men who are preparing for the ministry and for the quality of work done as an institution. We also would recommend Meredith and Chowan Colleges for the girls who are to become the mothers of the future generation. It is very important as they have the responsibility of starting the child in the way he should go.

We recommend our system of high schools for the boys and girls for their preparation for life in their secondary education.

Z. T. Green. C. C. Keys, T. C. Miller, Com.

Rev. M. A. Adams read the report on

THE 75 MILLION CAMPAIGN

At the last session of the Southern Baptist Convention in Atlanta Ga., after prayerful consideration, it was unanimously agreed to launch a movement for greater service and efficiency among our Southern Baptist churches along the following lines:

1 Make a supreme effort to enlist all the un-enlisted forces among our churches.

2 To deepen the spiritual life of all the individual members of all our churches.

3 To reach the unsaved at home and abroad.

4 To more adequately care for our dependent ones—the orphans and the old preachers.

5 To lead our Southern Baptist churches into the great unified program for our benevolent work.

6 To pray for 5000 special workers and 200,000 conversions in our churches.

7 To pay the expenses of this work to raise at least $75,000,000.

Our State Mission Board has heartily agreed to the above program To accomplish this great task we have been working with all of our might since June 1st. North Carolina Baptists are asked to raise 6 millions of this amount in the next five years. The following divisions have been made: Christian Education $1,466,667, Foreign Mis sions, $1,766,667, Home Missions $1,092,833, State Missions $663,-833, Ministerial Relief $300,000, Thomasville Orphanage $610,000, Hospitals $100,000. All this is needed and more. The amount asked of this association is $1,000. We recommend that this amount be increased to $2,000. and that each church be asked to heartily co-operate in this work. When this is accomplished all of our work will be enlarged. The churches are asked to canvass their membership for pledges for this work from Nov. 30 to Dec. 7. This is the greatest task ever assumed by Baptists and we heartily promise our co-operation, prayers and help for its accomplishment.

M. A. Adams, Com.

Spent 15 minutes in intercessional prayer.

Rev. M. A Adams spoke for one hour and 25 minutes. The six reports were adopted together. Adjourned for one hour.

AFTER NOON SESSION

After beautiful singing by choir, the association was called to order.

Read the associational letter from Rock Springs church and enrolled delegates.

J. A. Hampton read the report on

CORRESPONDENCE

To Three Forks Association: J. W. Harrison, G. W. Gragg.
To Brushy Mountain: W. T. Land.
To Ashe: H. L. Beshears, B. F. Wilcox.
To Caldwell County: J. W. Wheeler, Joe Hayes.
To Avery County: Rev. N. S. Hampton, J. Amos Hampton.

J. Amos Hampton, H. L. Church, A. G. Beshears, Com.

Spoken to by J. A. Hampton and B. F. Wilcox, and adopted.

W. S. Church read the Report on

PASTORAL SUPPORT

We believe it a duty of each and every member to give liberally with their means according as the Lord has blessed them with, to the support of their pastors, so as to enable them to give more of their time to the work of preparing and educating themselves, that they be able to correctly preach the Gospel of the Kingdom. We urge that Deacons of each church ask of their church as often as each month for a free will offering for their pastor.

W. S. Church, J. H. Wilcoxen, D. J. Church, Com.

Spoken to by W S Church and N S Hampton and adopted.

J. W. Hayes read the report on

RESOLUTIONS

Resolved, That we urge the Pastors, Sunday School Superintendents S. S. Teachers and Church Workers to attend the Mobile Schools.

Resolved 2. That we urge and advise that the ministers of our association more fully dedicate themselves to the work of the ministry and give full time, if possible.

Resolved 3. That we tender our thanks to Yellow Hill Church and community for so wonderfully entertaining this association.

J. Amos Hampton, Joe W. Wheeler, J. W. Hayes, Com

Resolutions adopted.

G. W. Gragg read the Report on

TIME, PLACE and PREACHER

The Stony Fork Baptist Association will be held with Mt. Vernon Baptist Church, Bamboo, N. C., five miles east of Boone, convening on Tuesday after the second Sunday in September 1920.

Introductory sermon to be preached by Elder N. S. Hampton; Elder D. M. Wheeler, alternate.

G. W. Gragg
J. W. Harrison,
T. C. Miller,
} Com

Report on Obituaries was read by Z. T. Green and adopted.

OBITUARIES

We have examined the obituaries of Sisters Malinda Cox, Tancy Baker, Brethren Alex Blankinship, and D. F. Greene, and recommend that they be spread upon our minutes.

Z. T. Greene, G. W. Gragg, Committee.

Report of Treasurer of last year read by Treasurer and adopted.

REPORT OF TREASURER

For year ending Oct. 1, 1919.

Received from the Churches:

Minute Funds,	$ 16.16
State Missions,	1.00
Home Missions,	6.00
Foreign Missions,	8.09
Orphanage,	22.06
Ministerial Relief,	3.21
	$56.52

DISBURSEMENTS

State Missions,	$ 1.00
Home Missions,	6.00
Foreign Missions,	8.09
Ministerial Relief,	3.21
Thomasville Orphanage,	22.06
	$40.36
Brought forward from last year,	$ .09
Minute fund,	16.16
Total Minute fund in Treasury,	$ 16.25

N. S. Hampton, Treasurer.

On motion elected Z. T. Green and W. S. Church delegates to the State Convention.

Finance Report read by Noah Mikeal, and adopted.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE

Education	$ 3.41
Minute Fund	13.37
Orphanage	15.58
State Missions	2.27
Home Missions	1.75
Foreign Missions	2.00
Sunday School Missions	2.48
Seventy-five-Million Campaign	26.66
Total, - - - - -	$ 83.77

Allowed Clerk for services for the two years, $15.00.

Noah Mikeal, J. W. Harrison, John Beshears, Com.

Appointed the Clerk, N. S. Hampton, Treas., and to superintend the printing and distribution of the minutes.

N. S. Hampton asked for help on Rock Spring church building.

It was moved and carried to advise each church to take an offering in their church to help said Rock Spring church build a house of worship, and send to J. A. Keys, Darby, N. C.

Appointed an Executive Committee of our association as follows: Z. T. Green, Secy., H. L. Beshears, N. S. Hampton, chairman.

Sang "Good bye" and closed one of the best sessions of the association with an old fashion hand-shaking.

Benediction by the Moderator.

B. F. WILCOX, Moderator.

N. S. HAMPTON, Clerk.

A SOLDIER'S LETTER.

To The Stony Fork Baptist Association:

As an American soldier and minister of the gospel, I will write this letter as I can't be Present with the body this year, and will write this to fill the vacancy and ask that it be published in the minutes of the association.

I am in France, and first, I want to say that I am still living for the master and try to do my duty to the best of my ability. The idea as I find it, that the life of a man should be, and must be, a standard of high ideals. He must be the same yesterday, today and tomorrow. Some may say: We can't live a Christian life in the army. But this is a sad mistake. Of course there are many temptations and a man is linked with all kinds of company, but yet he can live for his higher ideals. Just think of the boy that left home an honored and noble son and came back a wrecked man, but if we don't live up to the high ideals of manhood we are coming back in a bad condition.

The character of oneself is one of the greatest things a man can think of. He must keep himself up to his duty. He must not partake of the temptations that surround him. He must let his light shine before men so they can see his good works and glorify our Father in heaven. Many times in the great rush of modern life we scarcely stop to think of our individual souls. I think it is fortunate we do not have time to think of our individual selves. I have no patience with the principle that a man's chief business in life is to cultivate his own self. That means that his chief business is to think of himself and no one else. That is the last person he ought ever to think of. I believe that character is essentially a by product. If you try to make it directly, you make a prig; but if you do your

duty to mankind and to your God you make a character. But yet we don't stop to think in the few minutes of the 24 hours.

There are a great many things to be said in regard to character. But I must stop.

Wishing you all much success in the association and that you remember me in your prayers.

May the grace of the Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ be with you all now and forever.

I remain your brother in Christ Jesus,

Prvt. Alfred L. Coffey,
Co. H. 323rd Infantry, U. S. A. P. O. 791.

CLERK'S REPORT Ending Oct. 1, 1919.

On account of Influenza the Stony Fork Association was postponed indefinitely. The Clerk sent queries to each church when for the association to convene. Answer by a majority of the churches: to convene at its annual time— Tuesday after the second Sunday in Oct. 1919. The Moderator approved and called the association to meet Tuesday after the second Sunday in Oct. 1919 with Yellow Hill Church consenting to entertain the association.

Part of the churches sent in their reports to the clerk, and there was a statistical minute prepared for the benefit of the association keeping record and give the state a record for the year, which is herewith annexed.

N. S. Hampton, Clerk.

TREASURER'S REPORT OCT. 1, 1918.

Received for Minute Funds,	$17.52
Obituaries,	2.39
Col. on Wm. M. Lee Photograph,	1.00
Total Minute Fund,	$20.91
Orphanage,	12.85
Home Missions,	3.80
Foreign Missions,	3.53
	$41.09

DISBURSEMENTS

Orphanage,	$12.85
Home Missions,	3.80
Foreign Missions,	3.53
Will H. McGuire, Printing Minutes,	14.00
Mailing Expenses,	.82
Clerk for his Services,	6.00
	$41.00
In Treasury,	9 cts.

N. S. Hampton, Treas.

TABLE 1.- STATISTICAL, 1918.

CHURCH	PASTOR	P. O.	CLERK	P. O.	Time of Preaching	Value of Ch Property	Received by Baptism	Rec. by Letter	Restored	Lost by Letter	Excluded	Died	No. of Males	No. Females	Total Membership
Boones Fork	D. M. Wheeler	Bamboo, N.C.	J. C. Church	Shulls Mills	1	$ 400	8	5	1	..	..	1	33	59	92
Doe Ridge	N.S.Hampton,	Blowing Rock	J. R. Brown	Zionville, N.C.	4								10	21	31
Elk	No report.														
Laurel Fork	R C Shores	Blowing Rock	J G Storie	Blowing Rock	1	300						1	48	62	110
Mt. Vernon	E M Gragg	Boone	W G Todd	Bamboo	4	1000	4	1		2		1			216
Mt. Ephraim	E M Gragg	"	Joe Wheeler	"	2	500	4						52	83	135
Mt. Paron	No report.														
Middle Cane	W N Church	Summit	Calvin Miller	Triplett	3		2				2	1	8	25	33
New Hopewell	W B Bryant	Finley	L E Gragg	Gragg	1	300	2			2			32	81	113
Poplar Grove	J F Eller	Vilas	W R Anderson,	Vilas	4	3015	10	3					64	67	131
Rock Spring	Levi Green	Hopkins	J A Keys	Darby	1	300	3	4		1			45	42	87
Watauga	N S Hampton	Blowing Rock	R H Townsend,	Banner Elk	3	400	8			2	2		42	66	108
Yellow Hill	Levi Green	Hopkins	D J Church	Summit	3	800		1	1	3	3		57	97	154
						$7,500	41	14	2	10	2	9	391	603	1210

TABLE 2.-FINANCIAL. 1918.

CHURCH	Pastor's Salary	Building & Repairs	Incidentals	S. S. Expenses	The Poor	Minute Fund	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	S. S. Missions	Orphanage	Ministers' Relief	Other Objects	TOTAL
Boones Fork	$75.00	.....	.....	3.00	.....	1.85	.....	32.55	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	112.45
Doe Ridge	No report.													
Elk.	No report.													
Laurel Fork	43.62			2.45		1.00		3.25			2.86			53.18
Mt. Vernon	71.00			10.71		2.50	1.00	1.00	8.09	15.23	43.65		5.02	154.53
Mt. Ephraim	75.25	3.00		3.50	8.35	1.31					5.00		6.35	102.26
Mt. Paron	No report.													
Middle Cane	36.00													36.00
New Hopewell	39.81			1.47		1.00					2.95		65.00	107.76
Poplar Grove	82.39			7.03		2.00	3.81	3.81	3.80	2.00		3.31		108.05
Rock Springs.	35.18			3.50		1.00								40.18
Watauga.	41.77			8.47		1.50		5.00			5.00		12.00	73.74
Yellow Hill	38.75		6.80	52.44	9.07	4.00				2.30	7.10		2.47	119.03
	538.77	3.00	6.80	92.57	17.42	16.16	4.81	45.61	11.89	19.53	66.56	3.31	90.84	907.18

TABLE 3.- SUNDAY SCHOOLS. 1918.

CHURCH	SUPT.	P. O.	SEC'Y	P. O.	No. Schools	Officers and Teachers	Pupils	Total Enrollment	Church Members in S. S.	Months Open	Baptisms from School	School Expenses	Missions	Orphanage	Other Objects	Total Contributions
Boones Fork	Blaine Coffey	Shulls Mills NC	Miss V Coffey	Shulls Mills NC	1	5	90	95	42	6	8	3.00	.....	.....	.....	3.00
Doe Ridge	No report															
Elk.	No report															
Laurel Fork	J G Storey	Blowing Rock	W D Ashley	Blowing Rock	1	5		40				2.45				2.45
Mt. Vernon	J W Harrison	Blowing Rock	T L Critcher	Bamboo	1	8	104	112		12		10.71	15.23	38.98	5.02	69.94
Mt. Ephraim	N G Wheeler	Triplett	Bell Hayes	Bamboo	1	4	54	60	25	12	4	3.50		5.00		8.50
Mt. Paron	No report															
Middle Cane	No school															
New Hopewell	L E Gragg	Gragg	Queen Coffey	Gragg N.C.	1	5	51	60	30	12	1	1.47				1.47
Poplar Grove	W R Anderson	Vilas	T C Hodges	Boone	1	7				12	4	7.03	2.00	3.20		17.65
Rock Springs.	I T Barnett	Darby	Robert Woods	Darby "	1	5	113	118	47	6	4	3.50				3.50
Watauga.	L M Hodges	Banner Elk	Miss A D Townsend	Banner Elk	1	7	71	78	35	12		8.47		3.45		11.92
Yellow Hill	Mrs S J Church	Summit	W S Church	Summit	1	9	131	140	77	12		14.48	2.30	4.10	31.56	52.44

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Boones Fork	Edmon Hodge	Adams, N.C.	J. C. Church	Shulls Mills NC	2	$ 450	2	..	..	..	..	1	22	54	76
Doe Ridge	Edmon Green	Sands. N.C.	J R Brown,	Zionville, N.C.	4	150				2			9	21	30
Elk.	Marsh. Watson	Stony Fork "	F L Dula	Elkville, "	2	Rented							7	32	39
Laurel Fork	R H Shore	Blowing Rock	J G Storie,	Blowing Rock	1	300	6					2	48	66	114
Mt. Vernon	E M Gragg	Vilas	J A Hampton	Blowing Rock	2-4	1000	18	1		1			105	129	234
Mt. Ephraim	E M Gragg	"	Joe Wheeler	Bamboo	2	1000				1	2	2			138
Mt. Paron	T S Robbins	Buffalo Cove	Allen Watson	Stony Fork	1	200	3	2	1	2	1	1	17	20	37
Middle Cane	W N Church	Summit, N C	Calvin Miller	Triplett N C	3	300		1					8	26	34
New Hopewell	W B Bryant	Globe "	L E Gragg	Gragg, "	1	300	1		1		2	3	32	79	111
Poplar Grove	J F Eller	Vilas "	W R Anderson	Vilas "	4			1		1	1		69	75	144
Rock Springs.	Levi Green	Hopkins "	J A Keys	Darby "						3		1	45	43	88
Watauga.	N S Hampton	Blowing Rock	R H Townsend	Banner Elk "	3	400						2	42	62	104
Yellow Hill	Levi Green	Hopkins "	D J Church	Summit "	3	800	1			5	5		50	92	142
															1293

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Boones Fork	57.80					1.50			13.00			3.25				75.55
Doe Ridge						.75						1.33				2.08
Elk.	21.00					.75										21.75
Laurel Fork	57.62			2.50		.50			6.60							67.22
Mt. Vernon	117.10			12.89		1.11		5.81				42.42			57.38	236.71
Mt. Ephraim	53.00			2.25		.80			1.75				3.41	6.00	13.35	74.56
Mt. Paron	20.00			1.50		1.05										22.55
Middle Cane	22.05					1.00										23.05
New Hopewell	22.14			1.35	2.75	.10									2.70	28.80
Poplar Grove	65.50	3.75		67.50		1.50	2.27		10.02	2.00	2.48	4.00			8.00	165.27
Rock Springs.	53.27			5.00		1.50										59.77
Watauga.	60.00					1.00		3.30	3.35	3.35		10.00		20.66		98.66
Yellow Hill	100.00	1.25	5.72	55.33	5.25	1.90							4.50		2.43	176.24
						13.46	2.27	9.11	34.72	5.35	2.48	61.00	7.91	26.66	76.86	

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Boones Fork	No school															
Doe Ridge	"															
Elk.	"															
Laurel Fork	J. G. Storie	Blowing Rock	Ruth Ashley	Blowing Rock	1	5	36	41		4		2.50				2.50
Mt. Vernon	J W Harrison	"	T L Critcher	Bamboo N.C.	1	8	60	100	¾	12	18	12 89	5.81	23.40	26.63	68.73
Mt. Ephraim	N G Wheeler	Triplett N.C	Bell Hayes	Triplett	1	5	70	75	30	12		2.25				2.25
Mt. Paron	G D Watson	Stony Fork	J L Miller	Stony Fork	1	4	30	40	20	6	1	1.50				1.50
Middle Cane	No school															
New Hopewell	L E Gragg	Gragg			1	4	35	39	15	12	1	1.35				1.35
Poplar Grove	W R Anderson	Vilas	T C Hodges	Boone	1	7				12		67.50	2.48			69.98
Rock Springs.	J A Keys	Darby	I T Barnett	Darby	1	5	60	65	30	7		5.00				5.00
Watauga.	L M Hodges	Banner Elk	Avie Townsend	Banner Elk	1	6	40	60		12						
Yellow Hill	W S Church	Summit	C C Keys	Summit	1	10	119	129	63	12	1	27.40	8.00		19.00	55.33

OBITUARIES

Sister Tancy Baker has been called to rest by our all-wise Father. She was born June 15, 1885 and departed this life on Sunday April 14, 1918.

Sister Baker professed a hope in Christ and joined the church at Stony Hill in the month of October 1902. She was dismissed from that church by letter in the year of 1905 and joined New Hope church

After her marriage to Bro. Asa Baker in 1914, she moved her membership to Yellow Hill church and was a faithful member of this church until her death.

Sister Baker leaves a husband and one child, a dear little boy, to mourn her absence, while she has gone on to join another dear child in the glory land.

During sister Tancy's protracted illness before her death she was always resigned to her heavenly Father's will, and was continually speaking of His goodness and wisdom.

We all extend to Bro. Baker our heart felt sympathy, and pray God's richest blessings upon him and his child.

V. Church, Flora Woodie, Winnie Mikeal, Com.

Bro. Alex. Blankinship was born Sept. 23, 1831, died Feb. 16, 1918, age 87 years 4 months and 23 days.

He was married to Miss Adaline Church, daughter of Rev. William Church Jan. 2, 1853. To this union were born 7 children, 2 died while young, 5 are still living.

Sister Adaline Blankinship was born March 1, 1831, died Dec. 20 1913, age 82 years 9 months and 19 days. Sister Blankinship joined the Baptist church at an early age and remained a consistent member until death.

Bro. Blankinship joined the church after he was up in years, but lived a consistent member until his death.

Dear children and relatives weep not, but strive to comfort your hearts with the thought that father and mother are over in the glory land just watching and waiting and beconing you to come. It will not be long till the test will be on, and are we ready to go and join father, mother and dear loved ones with Jesus when he calls?

As we view the home and the church, the forms of father and mother are not there, but it is God who hath called them to his arms into rest, Sweet rest! with the blessed for their souls. Their bodies are mouldering in the cold, cold clay, yet a fire of memory is burning in our souls that they showed by their life-long journey that they walked with God.

Dear ones thou hast left us here, Thy loss we deeply feel
But 'tis God that has bereft us He can all our sorrows heal.

Sallie C. Kees, H. L. Beshears, A. G. Beshears, Com.

Bro. D. F. Green was born July 14, 1850. Departed this life May 22, 1918, age 68 years 10 months and 22 days.

He joined the Stony Fork church and later moved his membership to Yellow Hill church and remained a member there till death.

He was a deacon for many years. He was an ardent believer, very humble in his nature, always ready to forgive any wrong which might have been done him, and an ardent worker for peace.

He leaves three married children and a host of friends. Bro. Green did not live for self alone. In sickness he was always ready and willing to lend a helping hand, always filled his seat in the church, he was so good and kind to all his friends and neighbors.

He leaves three children and several grand children to mourn iheir loss.

Weep not dear ones, but strive to meet Bro. Green where parting will come no more.

Dearest one thou hast left us,
Here thy loss we deeply feel
But 'tis God that hath bereft us,
He can all our sorrows heal.

He was laid to rest in the grave yard, near the church where he belonged and had worked so many years. Gone but not forgotten.

C. C. Kees, D. J. Church, Selah J. Church, Com.

Our dear sister Malinda Cox deceased from this life Jan. 18, 1918. Age, about 87. She had been afflicted for many years and was very patient with her sickness and was submissive to the Lord's will.

She joined the Lewis Fork church upwards of 60 years ago. She was a consistent member and always attended church as long as she could go. She was a member of Mt. Ephraim church when she died

She came through great tribulations, such as the Civil War and many other troubles. She raised three sons, and always helped them. Dear mother raised us children to fear the Lord, and set a good example before us. She was charitable, good and kind to the sick and poor, and I believe that she is resting with her Saviour, and will be a star in the crown of glory.

A few days before she died she was revived in spirit and praised the Lord. She was continually praying to the Lord to bless her grand children and all the unsaved.

She has gone home to die no more, and all who live faithful will meet her in that glory world where sickness and sorrow does not come.

Written by her son, Thomas Cox.

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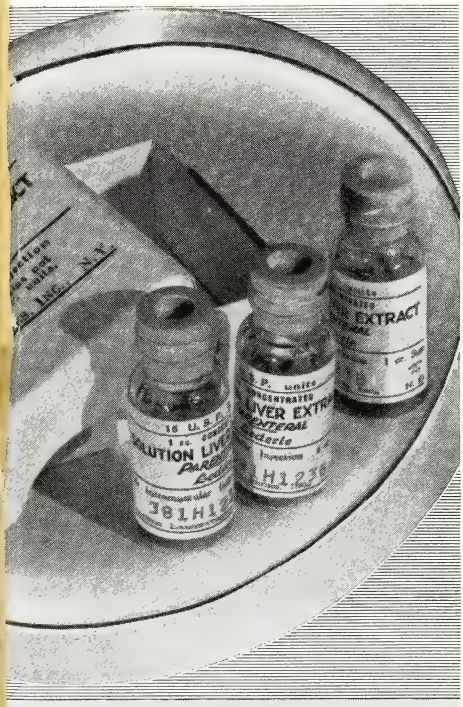
THE U.S.P. ANTI-ANEMIA PREPARATIONS ADVISORY BOARD has recently made public the ratings issued to the various manufacturers of liver extract. In this report, we have for the first time in ten years of liver therapy, a comparison of the therapeutic effectiveness of several liver extracts used in the treatment of pernicious anemia and hereafter the physician, regardless of the brand used, can proceed with parenteral liver therapy in terms of definite units.



Lederle's previous claims for high potency per cubic centimeter for its "1 cc. Concentrated Solution Liver Extract Parenteral" have now been established by the action of the U.S.P. Advisory Board; the product has also been accepted by the Council on Pharmacy and Chemistry of the American Medical Association.

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"1 cc. Concentrated Solution Liver Extract Parenteral *Lederle*" has been tested in accordance with the methods described by the U.S.P. and by the Council on Pharmacy and Chemistry and it has been determined that 0.067 cc. per day for the test period produces the required hematopoietic response. Each 1 cc. vial of this extract therefore contains

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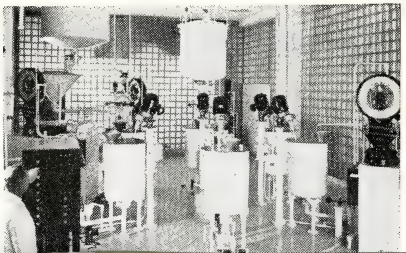

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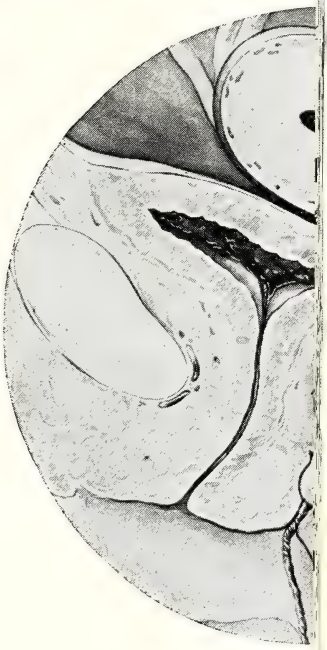

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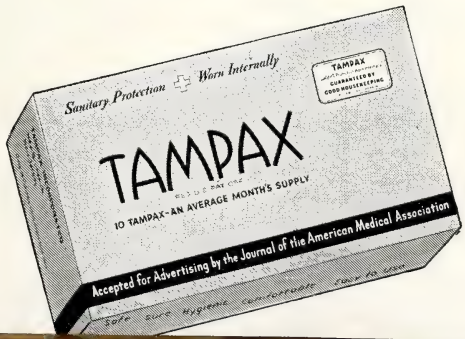

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March 14.—This night speaking to a forum in Evansville of the socialization of medicine and its evils, foregathering also with the medicos and with the intelligentsia.

March 15.—At noon by train but it lay in the woods two hours because of a washout so missed the connection at Terre Haute but improved my time reading "The Tyranny of Words" by Stuart Chase. Then by taxicab in a cyclone from Terre Haute to Indianapolis talking to the driver of social security and after that by motor to Earlham College at Richmond with more rain so arrived at 9.30 p. m. to find the whole audience waiting, probably because it was raining so hard they could not get out anyway. So lectured on foods and answered many questions and then barely caught the train for home.

March 19.—Now four days gone with toil and sitting with the Councils on Foods and on Pharmacy and Chemistry which decided to call vitamin C by the name ascorbic acid, and also many weightier problems. And the girls from Mary Swartz Rose's classes at Columbia sent old Pepys a figure of Grumpy because old Pepys likes Grumpy best. So now Grumpy sits before me on the desk and his appearance is that of a venerable skeptic, so old Pepys still likes Grumpy best. And heard a tale of a dame who visited a medico who told her to remove her garments for an examination, whereto she demurred. But he said: "Proceed, madame, remember that I am a physician, and forget that I am a man!" To which she replied: "Alright, doctor, I will if you will."

March 20.—This day in Rochester, Minnesota, to see a child, recovering albeit slowly from an operation for a tumor of the cerebellum and witnessed the presence of so many such cases that I must needs cogitate on how empty such a section of a hospital would have been some thirty years ago. And at noon with my former associate, Dick Hewitt, to dinner, and thereafter at bridge with Braasch, Buie and Phil Brown, they continuing to contribute. So next home reading John O'Hara's "Hope of Heaven," a somewhat slimy tale of Hollywood.

March 24.—Days and nights of reading and writing and seeing the sick and this day came a great committee to discuss what medicine may do still further to distribute medical care, there being present Braasch, Heyd, Fitzgibbon, Chesley, West, Hayden, Wright, Bloss, Donaldson, McCormack, McLester, Taylor, Carrington, Fishbein—and this may well have been an historic occasion.

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Mr. Girard Discusses Anatomy

"Talk of the Day" in Phila. Inquirer, where W. C. R. found it, M. K. F. saw it, and also V. A. L.

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PHYSICIANS — (A) RESIDENT PHYSICIAN — young, single, east; salary open.* (b) Assistant physician; single; under 40 years of age; resident of Ohio; $145 with maintenance. (c) Assistant physician; single; Ohio license; some tuberculosis experience; $125-$150 with maintenance. (d) Private practice with guarantee from county of $70 monthly; west. (e) EENT physician; small hospital; south; $300 per month. (f) Psychiatrist; under 40; some psychiatric experience; west; $100-$150 with maintenance.+ (g) Intern for July 1, 1938; Christian; $40 per month with maintenance; east.* Zinser Personnel Service, 140 S. Dearborn St., Chicago. C

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So matrimony can't become an issue.
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WANTED — PHYSICIAN EXPERIENCED — SANAtorium; man desires position as medical director or as assistant; south preferred. Add. 1645 I, % AMA.

WANTED—ASSISTANTSHIP TO WELL-QUALIFIED surgeon, or surgical or pathological appointment in hospital or clinic; prime requisite opportunity for learning surgical pathology and surgery; salary secondary importance; A.B., M.D., Class A schools; recognized internship; 1½ years' experience in private clinic and hospital, mostly surgical; 2½ years' general practice; junior member F.A.C.S.; staff member of recognized hospital; sober, married, aged 30. Add. 1731 I, % AMA.

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Clinical Roentgen Therapy. Edited by Ernst A. Pohle, M.D., Ph.D., F.A.C.R., Professor of Radiology in the University of Wisconsin, Madison. Foreword by George W. Holmes, M.D., Roentgenologist to the Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, Mass. Cloth. Price, $10. Pp. 819, with 200 illustrations. Philadelphia: Lea & Febiger, 1938.

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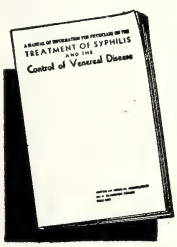

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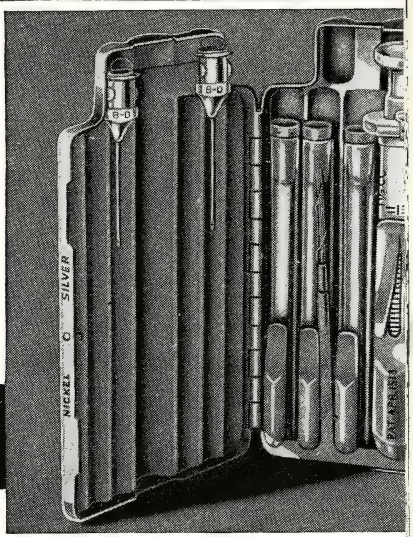

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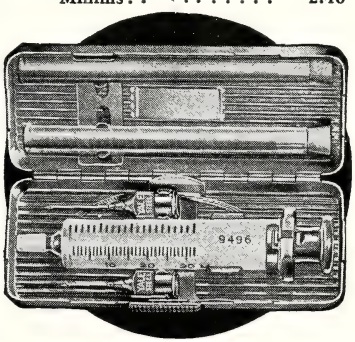

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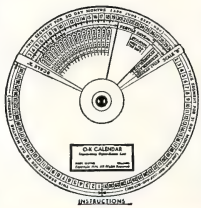

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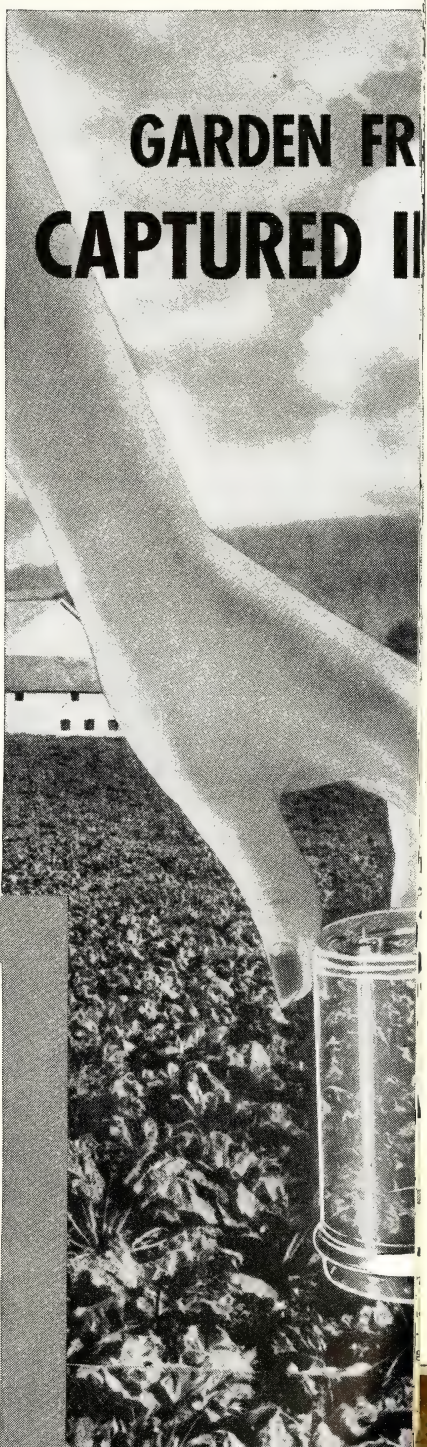

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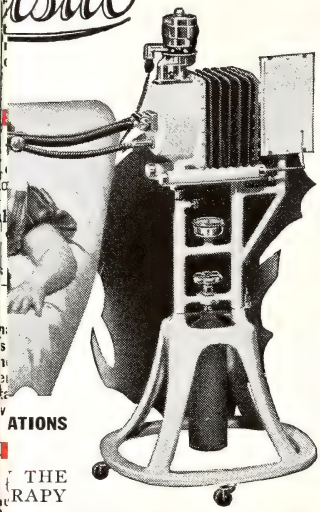

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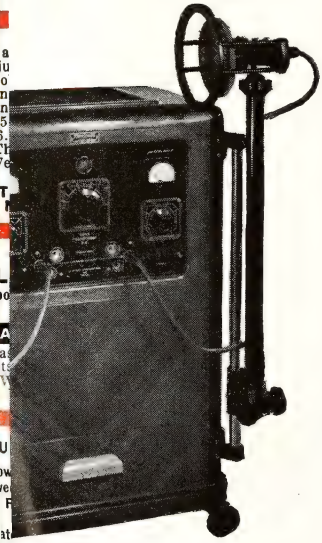

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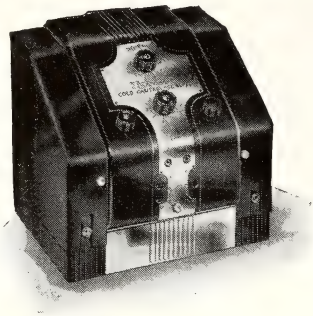

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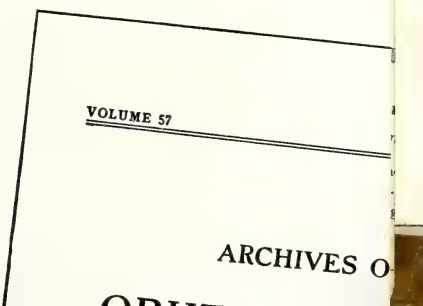

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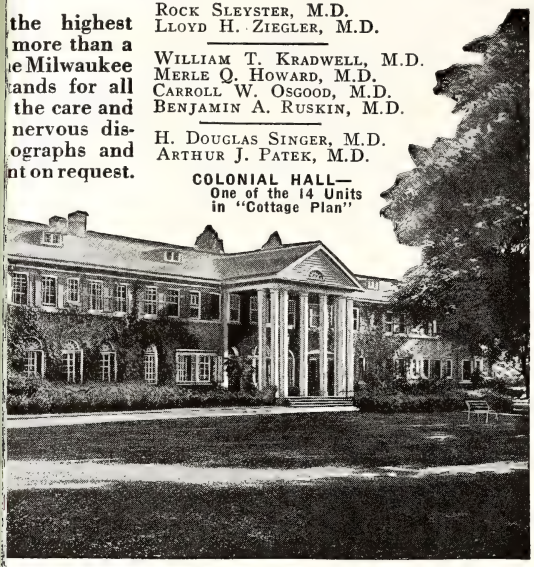

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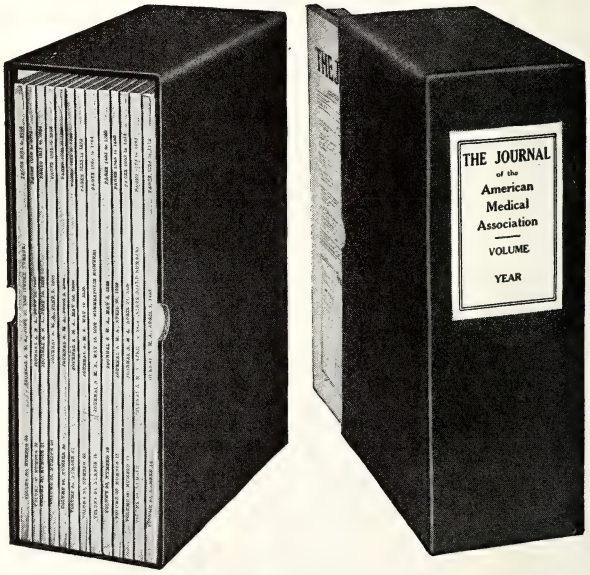

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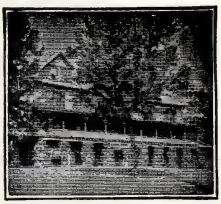

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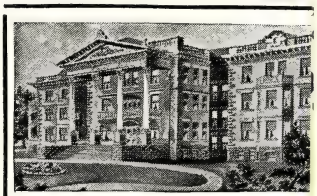

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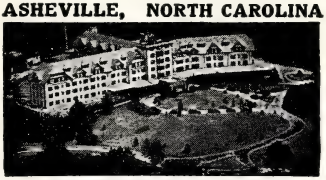

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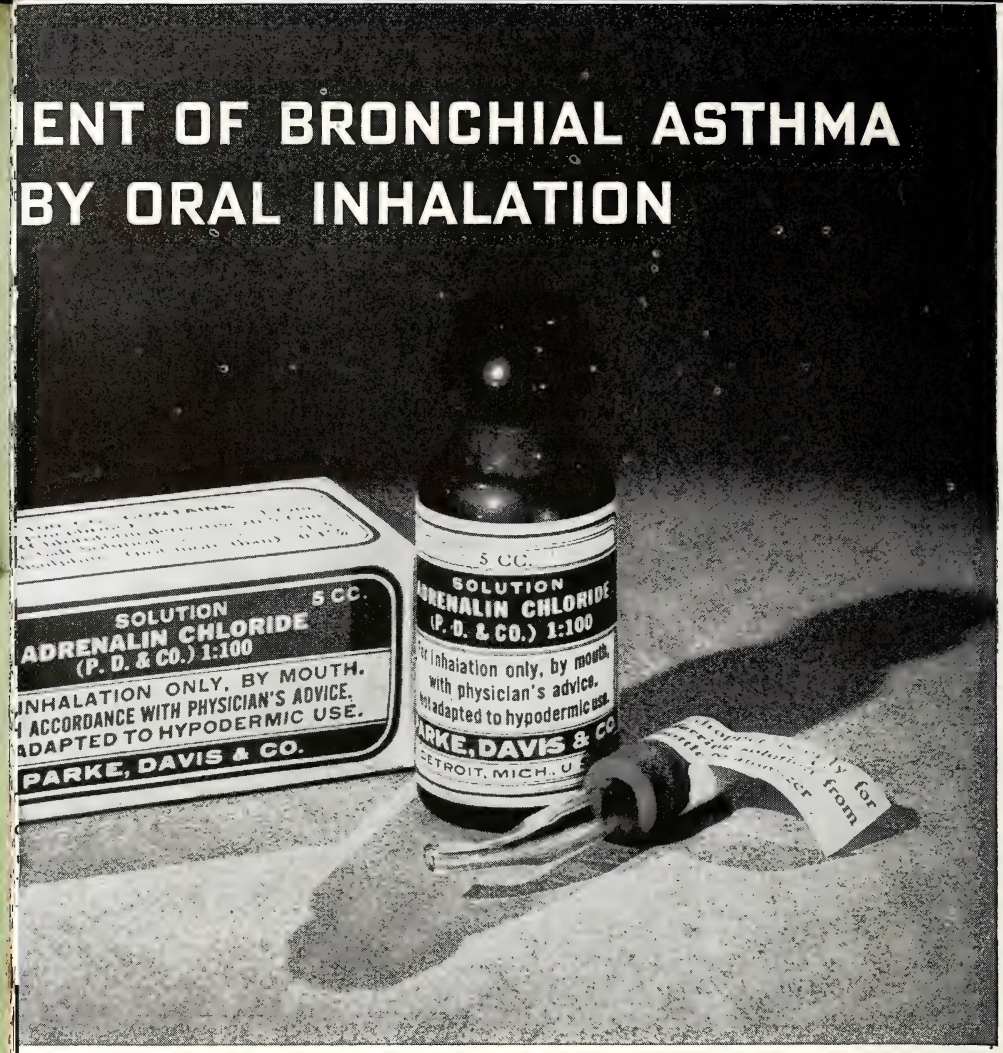

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The 60th annual session of the Stony Fork Baptist Association will convene with the Laurel Fork Baptist church, 5 miles east of Blowing Rock, N. C., convening on Tuesday after the second Sunday in September, 1921.

Annual sermon by Elder D. M. Wheeler.
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Miss Minnie Day,	Blowing Rock, N. C.

PROCEEDINGS

Mt. Vernon Baptist Church, Watauga County, N. C.,
Tuesday, September 14th, 1920.

THE Stony Fork Baptist Association met in its Fifty-ninth annual session. After beautiful singing by the church choir, Rev. E. M. Gragg led in prayer; the class sang "Standing on His Promises"

Rev. D. M. Wheeler led in prayer.

The Annual Sermon was preached to a large, attentive congregation, by Rev. N. S. Hampton. Text, 2d Chron. 7: 14.

Rev. M. A. Adams led in prayer.

Adjourned for one hour. Prayer by Rev. John Norris.

As the blessings of rain poured down a bountiful dinner was served in the church house.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Association was called to order by the Moderator of last year.

After touching singing by the choir, Rev. F. M. Huggins led in prayer.

Delegates handed in letters. N. L. Harrison and L. M. Hodges were elected reading clerks.

DELEGATES ENROLLED

Boones Fork—Merrit Coffey.
Doe Ridge—Elmond Green, A. M. Brown.
Elk—By letter.
Laurel Fork—J. G. Storey, H. M. Storey.
Mt. Vernon—J. W. Harrison, Ira Critcher, W. D. Hampton.
Mt. Ephraim—J. P. Cook, J. W. Hayes.
Mt. Paron—Thomas Miller.
Middle Cane—Calvin Miller.
New Hopewell—By letter.
Poplar Grove—Z. T. Green.
Rock Springs—J. A. Keys.
Watauga—L. M. Hodges, S. P. Townsend.
Yellow Hill—By letter.

Proceeded to elect officers. Elected Rev. B. F. Wilcox Moderator, and Rev. N. S. Hampton Clerk.

Invited correspondents and visitors to seats. J. P. Robbins, from Ohio, W. S. Farthing, G. W. McNeal, Marshall Greer, Rev. F. M. Huggins, Rev. E. M. Gragg and Rev. John Norris, from the Three Forks Association, Rev. M. A. Adams, representing the general

work, C. M. Harrison from Caldwell Association, J. G. Buchanan, from Avery County Association, accepted seats.

Invited newly constituted churches.

Empowered the Moderator and Clerk to make all temporary appointments during this session. They announced the following:

Devotional Services: Pastor and Delegates of Mt. Vernon church.

Order of Business: Edmon Green, J W Harrison, E M Gragg, the Mod. and Clerk.

Resolutions: L M Hodges, Marshall Greer, G W Brown.

Sunday Schools: F M Huggins, J W Harrison, Marshall Greer.

Orphanage: D M Wheeler, E M Gragg.

Education: W S Farthing, N L Harrison, Z T Green.

Temperance: John Norris, J G Storie.

Consolidated State, Home and Foreign Missions.

Missions: F M Huggins, Ira Critcher, W S Farthing.

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Correspondence: W D Hampton, A M Brown.

Finance: C M Critcher, J Amos Hampton, J G Buchanan.

Pastoral Support: N L Harrison, Miss Minnie Day, L E Robbins.

Place and Preacher: Z T Green, J G Storie, S P Townsend.

Obituaries: J W Hays, Edmon Hodges, Calvin Miller.

Rev. M. A. Adams spoke 30 minutes on the general work.

Committee on Devotional Services report for tomorrow, 9 o'clock a. m., devotional exercises by W. S. Farthing, 11 a. m. preaching by Rev. F. M. Huggins.

T. L. Critcher assigned delegates and visitors homes.

Adjourned to meet tomorrow morning at 9 a. m.

Prayer by Rev. E. M. Gragg.

SECOND DAY, WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 15, 1920

After singing Gather at the River, W. S. Farthing read 53rd Chap. of Isaiah and D. M Wheeler led in prayer. After a hearty quoting of precious Scriptures John Norris led in prayer.

Read and adopted Order of Business.

Read and approved minutes of yesterday.

Invited Correspondents and Visitors. W. H. Harrison and Markes Miller of the Stony Fork association accepted seats.

Apointed the Chairman of Committees for the year 1921 viz:

To write report on Missions, including State, Home and Foreign: Z. T. Green.

To write report on Sunday Schools: W. S. Church.

" " Resolutions: L. M. Hodges.

" " Orphanage: Rev. D. M. Wheeler,

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" " Finance: R H Townsend.
" " Pastoral Support: J Amos Hampton.
Place and Preacher: J G Storie and Joe Wheeler.
Write Obituaries: N S Hampton.
On Woman's Work: Miss Minnie Day.
On Order of Business: Moderator and Clerk.

Each one is asked to have the reports ready and bring them to the association, and if you cannot come, be sure to send the reports.

REPORT OF TREASURER FOR LAST YEAR.

Received for Minute Fund	$29.71		Disbursements	
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On motion of Z. T. Green that the Treasurer be paid the $14.69 due him on expense of last year.

Took a collection for the Treasurer amounting to $4.50.

Correspondents of last year reported.

Rev. E. M. Gragg read the report on

ORPHANAGE

We your committee on Orphanage beg leave to report as follows:

As it is a command of the Lord Jesus to visit the widow and orphans, we therefore should feel a deep interest in those who are without father or mother or anything to help them in this life.

The Baptist Orphanage at Thomasville is one of the greatest institutions in our state and we should look well to our duties in helping to support those 600 or more children. The way for us to feel interested in such worthy objects is to place ourselves in their condition and then ask the Lord what He would have us to do

D. M. Wheeler, E. M. Gragg, Com.

Report spoken to by E. M. Gragg and N. S. Hampton. Adopted.

J. G. Story read the report on

TEMPERANCE

The cause of temperance, like all other righteous causes, is maintained and advanced by the earnest and persistent efforts of its friends.

Strong drink breaks down the will power and makes slaves of those who indulge. All this we need to know and keep in mind, and every Christian man and woman should teach their children to hate.

John Norris, }
J. G. Story, } Com

Spoken to by John Norris and N. S. Hampton and adopted.

Adjourned until one o'clock p. m.

Elder E. M. Gragg preached an able, interesting sermon, John 10: 10. Class sang "Sweet Rest." Prayer by M. D. Miller.

AFTERNOON SESSION

After a bountiful dinner the association was called to order.

The class sang "Come to the Church in the Dale."

Edmon Green led in prayer.

W. S. Farthing read the report on Missions.

Spoken to by W. S. Farthing and adopted.

MISSIONS

The work of giving the gospel to those who have it not, is called Missions, and as carried on by Southern Baptists is divided into three departments—State Missions, Home Missions, and Foreign Missions.

State Missions is giving the gospel to destitute territory within the State, and is very important, for it is the base of supplies for all missionary activities. We look to the State for men and means to propagate Christianity in all lands.

Home Missions includes all the territory of the Southern Baptist Convention with the Island possessions of the U. S. in Southern waters, Cuba and the Canal Zone.

The department of Foreign Missions includes all other destitute portions of the globe.

To cultivate and evangelize all destitute fields will require a great many missionaries and a great deal of means.

The Seventy-five Million campaign, if promptly paid, will partly supply the financial needs of the work, but we should look to the Lord for the necessary workers. "Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth laborers into his harvest." Mat.9:37

We call upon all who have made pledges to the work that they

promptly meet their pledges and we urge upon others the duty and privilege of contributing regularly to missions.

W. S. Farthing, Ira C. Critcher.

N. L. Harrison read report on education. Spoken to by W. S. Farthing and adopted.

EDUCATION

The public [school] system of our State is certainly inadequate. The houses are poor and poorly equipped. The teachers have been so poorly paid that it has been almost impossible for an industrious man to teach and give the necessary time for preparation.

Therefore we consider it our duty, especially the duty of Baptist folks, to aid the teacher and help build up our Baptist schools, and even build more Baptist schools.

We think that near here, on this mountain top, with so many favorable advantages surrounding us, would be a real desirable location for a Baptist training school.

While we recommend our present college, Wake Forest, for the training of young men, and Meredith and Chowan for young ladies.

Of course we recommend our present system of high schools for the preparation as a secondary work.

We do not claim that a literary education alone will suffice, neither do we think you can get the Christian education you need without literary work, but these two go hand in hand.

The future man or lady without a literary and Christian education is a blank. The time has been when men and women were excusable that did not have the literary part of an education, but the future man is not to be excused by any means.

W. S. Farthing, }
N. L. Harrison, } Com

W. G. Todd read the report on Periodicals. Spoken to by N. S. Hampton and adopted.

PERIODICALS

Periodicals literally means all the reading matter published by our denomination for our people.

1. The Biblical Recorder.
2. Home and Foreign Field.
3. Royal Ambassador.
4. Mountain Trout, published by our Mission Board. Sent free.
5. Charity and Children.

All of these are solidly Baptist and well adapted to our people, and we earnestly suggest that our people take our literature for our work

W. G. Todd, L. E. Robbins, Thos. L. Day, Com.

J. W. Harrison read the report on Sunday Schools. Spoken to by J. W. Harrison, M. Greer, N. S. Hampton, W. S. Farthing, W D. Hampton, and D. M. Wheeler, and adopted.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS

We believe that the Sunday-school is part of the church at work and should be all, that through its work, more of the masses of the people are being reached and brought under the influence of the Holy Spirit than is done in any other way.

We believe that every church should have an ever-green Sunday-school We believe that in working and teaching in the Sunday-school that we are following the teachings of Christ who taught in the synnagogue on the Sabath day. We believe all pastors should urge their members in the Sunday-school work.

Solomon says: "Train up a child in the way he should go and when he is old he will not depart from it." Prov. 22: 6.

We believe the Bible alone should be taught, but the many helps published by the Baptist Sunday School Convention should be used, as by these helps teachers and students alike find their work easier and in line with Missionary Baptist doctrine as is taught in the Bible.

J. W. Harrison, Marshall Greer, Com.

Mrs. Horton spoke for 30 minutes on Missions and the Woman's work.

N. L. Harrison read report on Pastoral Support. Spoken to by N. L. Harrison, Miss Minnie Day, L. E. Robbins, and adopted.

PASTORAL SUPPORT

Since our great problem of wining the whole world for Christ depends upon the spirituality of the church, and since the spirituality of the church depends so much upon the leaders of the church, especially the pastors; in order that they may devote their time wolly to the work and to studying and preaching of the Word; we wish to urge upon each and every individual member of the church the privilege and duty of lending their liberal and systematic support, both in their prayers and means according as God has prospered them. By so doing each one may have a part in carrying out Christ's last great command, "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations."

N. L. Harrison
Minnie Day,
L. E. Robbins
} Com.

Marshal Greer read the report on Resolutions. Report spoken to by Marshall Greer, and adopted.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolved 1. That we in behalf of the delegates to this association,

tender our heartfelt thanks to the members and people of Mt. Vernon church and community for their generous kindness and hospitality for and toward all, praying God's blessings to protect and care for all. Prayerfully submitted.

Resolved 2. That we advise that all members read and study God's Word more, and give more attention to dicipling members.

L. M. Hodges,
Marshall Greer,
G. W. Brown, } Com.

W. D. Hampton read report on Correspondence. Report adopted.

CORRESPONDENCE

To Three Forks Association: J. W. Harrison, and Ira Critcher.
To Brushy Mountain: W. T. Land.
To Ashe: H. L. Beshears and B. F. Wilcox.
To Caldwell County: J. W. Wheeler and Joe Hayes.
To Avery County: Rev. N. S. Hampton and J. Amos Hampton.

D. Brown,
W. D. Hampton, } Com.

Z. T. Green read report on Place and Preacher for next association. Report adopted.

PLACE AND PREACHER

The Stony Fork Baptist Association will be held with Laurel Fork Baptist Church, five miles east of Blowing Rock, N. C., on Tuesday after the second Sunday in September, 1921: Rev. D. M. Wheeler to preach the introductory sermon, alternate, Rev. B. F. Wilcox.

Z T. Green, J. G. Story, S. P. Townsend, Committee.

C. M. Critcher read report on Finance, which was adopted.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE

Minute Fund	$ 25.30
75-Million	85.69
State Missions	3.92
Home Missions	3 02
Foreign Missions	5.29
Orphanage	5.90
Ministerial Relief	3.74
Hospitals	.75
Grand total, -	$133.61

Allowed clerk for his service, $10.00.

J. Amos Hampton,
C. M. Critcher,
J. G. Buchanan } Com.

TABLE I.—STATISTICAL

CHURCH	PASTOR	P. O.	CLERK	P. O.	Time of Preaching	Value of Ch Property	Rec by Baptism	By Letter	Restored	Lost by Letter	Excluded	Died	No of Males	No. Females	Total Membership
Boones Fork	Ed Hodges	Adams, N.C.	J. C. Church	Shulls Mills N.C	2	450	.....	..	..	3	..	..	20	50	70
Doe Ridge	W A Pennell	Zionville, "	J R Brown	Zionville, "	4	150				1			10	20	30
Elk	G W Watson	Stony Fork "	F L Dula	Ferguson, "	3								6	32	38
Laurel Fork	D M Wheeler	Bamboo "	J G Story	Blowing Rock	1	500	7		2	3			47	70	117
Mt. Vernon	D M Wheeler	Bamboo	J A Hampton	Blowing Rock	1	1000	26	9	4	7	1	3	123	140	263
Mt. Ephraim	E M Gragg	Vilas	Joe Wheeler	Bamboo	2	1000	11	1		3	2		55	90	145
Mt. Paron	T S Robbins	Buffalo Cove	J D Miller	Stony Fork	1	300						1	18	19	37
Middle Cane	W N Church	Summit	Calvin Miller	Triplett	3	600							6	23	29
New Hopewell	Oscar Delenger	Gragg	L E Gragg	Gragg	1	300				2	2	3	30	73	103
Poplar Grove	L A Wilson	Zionville	W R Anderson	Vilas	2	3100	6	1		3		1	72	73	145
Rock Springs	T S Robbins	Buffalo Cove	J A Keys	Darby	4								39	42	81
Watauga	N S Hampton	Pineola	R H Townsend	Banners Elk	3	400	2	2		1		2	44	66	109
Yellow Hill	Levi Green	Hopkins	D J Church	Summit	3	800				4		2	44	85	129
				Totals,			52	13	6	27	5	12			1296

TABLE II.--FINANCIAL

CHURCHES	Pastor's Salary	Building & Repairs	Incidentals	S. S. Expenses	The Poor	Minute Fund	Other Objects	75-Million (undes.)	State-asso Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Orphanage	Christian Education	Ministers Relief	Hospitals	TOTAL
Boones Fork	50.30			2.50		2.00										54.80
Doe Ridge	30.00			1.00		.95						2.40				4.35
Elk (By letter)	26.85					.50								.30		.50
Laurel Fork	58.30		2.16	2.05		1.85		25.00		47.75	4.13	8.25				149.49
Mt. Vernon	157.10	14.50	12.00	164.53	266.35	7.90	126.24	105.20	4.05	2.00	25.36	157.45	6.00	4.21		1049.94
Mt. Ephraim	73.65			4.00	49.00	1.55	86.00									214.20
Mt. Paron	36.00			1.55	17.75	1.30	.10									55.76
Middle Cane	36.85					1.25										88.10
New Hopewell	10.00			1.58	6.00	.40										17.98
Poplar Grove	91.57	50.00	20.26	25.31		2.50	2.35	85.69	3.92	3.02	1.16	16.75		3.44	.75	306.72
Rock Springs	26.38	200.00							3.00	2.00						2033.38
Watauga	80.00		2.05	9.00	14.00	3.00	33.00	35.38								176.43
Yellow Hill	43.09	2.24	2.98	51.00		3.95		78.05								177.36
Totals	720.09	266.74	39.45	262.52	353.10	27.15	247.79	329.32	10.97	54.77	30.65	184.85	6.00	7.95	.75	3279.01

Read and approved report on Obituaries.

OBITUARIES

We find reported by the churches 10 deaths. We trust that while their seats are vacant here that they are at peace with God.

We hereby tender our heartiest sympathy to the bereaved ones.

The appointment has gone out from the Lord that all men must die, after this the judgment.

J. W. Hayes,
Calvin Miller,
E. C. Hodges.

Appointed the Clerk, Treas. and to superintend the printing of the minutes.

Appointed Rev. D. M. Wheeler, and Miss Minnie Day Delegates to the State Convention.

Short talks by the Moderator and Edmon Green.

Prayer by Edmon Green.

Sang Amazing Grace as the parting hand was taken, with manifest tokens of the Spirit's presence.

REV. B. F. WILCOX,
Moderator.

REV. N. S. HAMPTON,
Clerk.

TABLE III.—SUNDAY SCHOOLS

CHURCH	SUPT.	P. O.	SEC'Y.	P. O.	No. of Schools	Officers and Teachers	Pupils	Total Enrollment	Church Members in S. S.	Months Open	Baptisms from School	School Expenses	Missions	Orphanage	Other Objects	Total Contributions
Boones Fork	D. N. Coffey	Shulls Mills N.C	Bostus Dula	Shulls Mills, N.C	1	6	....	65	25	5	....	2.50	....	....	....	2.50
Doe Ridge	R Brown	Zionville	Jennie Miller	Sands	1	5	25	30	10	6		1.00				2.00
Elk	No school.															
Laurel Fork	J G. Story	Blowing Rock	None reported.		1	4	50					2.05				2.05
Mt. Ephraim	N G Wheeler	Triplett	Eliza Wheeler	Triplett	1	4	50	54	25	12	9	4.00		86 00		90.00
Mt. Vernon	Ira Critcher	Bamboo	T L Critcher	Bamboo	1	10	140	150	75	12	26	49.77		44 66	70.01	164.53
Mt. Paron	G D Watson	Stony Fork	J L Miller	Stony Fork	1	5	32	37	15	5		1.55				1.55
Middle Cane	No school.															
New Hopewell	L E Gragg	Gragg	Dollie Coffey	Gragg	1	4	30	35	15	6		1.58				1.58
Poplar Grove	W R Anderson	Vilas	T C Hodges	Boone	1	9	30	110		12	5	25.31		13 25		38 56
Rock Springs	No School.															
Watauga	L M Hodges	Banners Elk	Miss A Townsend,	Banners Elk	1	8	72	81	16	12		9.00				9.00
Yellow Hill	J H Wilcox	Summit	B G Beshears	Summit	1	10	80	90	25	12		20.00	8.		23.00	51.00

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LAUREL FORK BAPTIST CHURCH,

WATAUGA COUNTY, N. C.,

September 13 & 14, 1921.

ELDER B. F. WILCOX, Moderator, Shulls Mills, N. C.
ELDER N. S. HAMPTON, Clerk & Treas., Pineola, N. C.

The 61st annual sesion of the Stony Fork Baptist Association will convene with Watauga Baptist church, near Valley Creek Flag station on the Linville River Railway, convening on Tuesday after the second Sunday in September, 1922.
Annual sermon by Elder Oscar Delinger.
Elder B. F. Wilcox, alternate.

Will H. McGuire, Printer, Brookside, N. C.

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Directory of the Stony Fork Baptist Association

OFFICERS:

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ASSOCIATIONAL EX. COMMITTEE

Eld. D. M. Wheeler, - - - Bamboo, N. C.
C. M. Critcher, - - - - - Boone, N. C.
J. W. Harrison, - - Blowing Rock, N. C.
Eld. B. F. Wilcox, Chm. - - Shulls Mills, N. C.
Z. T. Green, Clerk & Treas., - Shulls Mills, N. C.

DELEGATES TO STATE CONVENTION

Elder B. F. Wilcox, Shulls Mills, N. C.
J. W. Harrison, Blowing Rock, N. C.

ORDAINED MINISTERS

Brown, G. W. ..... Boone, N. C.
Church, W. N. ..... Patton Ridge, N. C.
Church, J. W. ..... Patton Ridge, N. C.
Dellinger, Oscar ..... Edgemont, N. C.
Green, Edmon ..... Sands, N. C.
Greer, R. G. ..... Fleetwood, N. C.
Miller, M. D. ..... Triplet, N. C
Wheeler, D. M. ..... Bamboo, N. C.
Wilcox, B. F. ..... Shulls Mills, N. C.

Proceedings

Laurel Fork Baptist Church, Watauga County, N. C.,
Tuesday, September 13, 1921.

The Stony Fork Baptist Association met in its 60th Annual Session. After beautiful singing by the School choir, led by the teacher, J. T. Hampton, Rev. D. M. Wheeler read the third chapter of Malachi, William Elrod led in prayer.

Rev. D. M. Wheeler preached the annual sremon, Text, Matt. 5: 13, Theme Saving Influence. Rev. B. F. Wilcox led in prayer.

After singing Jesus Is The Light, adjourned for one hour.

Prayer by Rev. F. M. Huggins.

A bountiful dinner was served in the grove.

AFTER NOON SESSION

Association was called to order, by Moderator of last year. After singing Tell It Every Where, prayer by N. S. Hampton.

Delegates handed in letters.

Z. T. Green and H. L. Beshears were appointed reading clerks.

The following delegates were enrolled:

Boone's Fork—J C Church, W F Gragg.
Laurel Fork—J E Green, J L Miller, J G Storie.
Hopkin's Chapel—Oscar Dellinger.
Mt. Vernon—T May Cook, J W Harrison.
Mt. Ephraim—J S Hayes, N G Wheeler.
Middle Cane—By letter.
New Hopewell—By letter.
Poplar Grove—P M Winkler, W R Anderson, Z T Green.
Rock Springs—J T Woods, John Woods.
Watauga—R H Townsend.
Yellow Hill—D J Church, N C Mikeal, Martin Beshears, J Beshears.

The term of the present officers being expired, on motion of D. M Wheeler, re-elected Rev. B. F. Wilcox Moderator, and Rev. N. S. Hampton Clerk and Treasurer.

Read and adopted Order of Business.

Invited Correspondents and Visitors.

Rev. F. M. Huggins, representing periodicals and missions G. W Robbins, Wm. Elrod, J. L. Hayes, Rev. R. H. Shore, from Three Forks Association; Rev. L L Nichols, H H Crisp, from Coldwell Co. Association, accepted seats.

Invited newly constituted churches. The delegates of Hopkins Chapel came forward and presented a letter. After remarks by N. S. Hampton, the church was received and delegates seeted.

Empowered the Moderator and Clerk to make all temporary appointments during this session.

They announced the following Committees:

Devotional Services: Pastor and Delegates of Laurel Fork church.

Christian Education: F. M, Huggins, Z. T. Green.

Added to Com. on Place and preacher: Finley Gragg, R. H. Townsend.

Added to Com. on Periodicals: F. M. Huggins.

Added to Com. on Woman's Work: Mrs. Jeff Brown.

Appointed J. W. Harrison, Rev. B. F. Wilcox delegates to Baptist State Convention.

Z. T. Green read report of Ex. Committee. Spoken to by N. S. Hampton, B. F. Wilcox and adopted.

On motion retained the present Ex. Committee.

REPORT OF EX. COMMITTEE

The Sony Fork Associational Executive Committee met in Boone, N. C. on the 24th day of June 1921.

1. We recommend that the churches pay their pastors more and do it in a systematic way.

2. We insist that the churches elect delegates to the Association that will attend the entire session.

3. We advise all our churches to donate as liberally as possible to those that are trying to erect buildings for worship.

4. We believe that some of our preachers should visit all the churches in our Association and make a report of their financial condition at the next session.

Rev. B. F. Wilcox' Chm'n, Rev. D. M. Wheeler,
J. W. Harrison, Z. T. Green, Sec., Ex. Committee.

Treasurer's Report, Last year.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Received Minute Fund from Committee,	$ 25.30
" Public Collection,	4.50
" From Yellow Hill church,	3.95
" From Poplar Grove church,	1.85
" From Rev. D. M. Wheeler,	.35
" E. M. Greer,	1.00
" W. S. Farthing,	.50
Total Minute Fund,	$ 37.45
Received for 75-Million, State, Home, and Foreign Missions, Orphanage, Ministers' Relief, and Hospitals,	108.31
Total received,	$145.76

DISBURSEMENTS

To Walters Durham:	
75-Million,	$ 85.69
State Missions,	3.92
Home Missions,	3.02
Foreign Missions,	5.29
Ministerial Relief,	3.74
Hospitals,	.75
Paid to Orphanage,	5.90
Printing Minutes,	18.00
Mailing Minutes,	1.40
Paid Clerk for back services,	14.69
Paid Clerk for last year's service,	10.00
Total,	$152.40
	145.76
Due Treasurer,	$ 6.64

Donated by Clerk to Association $6.64, making Treasurer of association even.

N. S. Hampton, Treas.

Committee on devotional exercises report that Rev. Oscar Dellinger conduct devotional services tomorrow morning at nine o'clock, Rev. F. M. Huggins to preach at 11 o'clock.

J. W. Harrison read report on Temperance. Spoken to by F. M. Huggins, William Elrod, G. W. Brown, N. S. Hampton, L. C. Wilson and T. L. Day. Report adopted.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE

As it is, it behooves every lover of law and order and national prosperity to use his utmost influence against the dram shop. We never can create a public sentiment strong enough to suppress the dram.shop, until God's people take hold of the temperance reform as a part of their religion. There is one right which in the Christian life towers above all others: it is the right to surrender all rights for the sake of one's fellow men. This is the mind that was in Christ Jesus, who possessing all the inalienable rights of God-head, emtied himself and became of no reputation for us, that the mind that was in the Apostle Paul also when he said: If meat make my brother to offend, I will eat no meat while the world standeth.

J. W. Harrison, Com.

On motion that a committee be appointed to to confer with a committee of the Three Forks Association on the proposed cinsolidation of the two associations into a county association, and report results

at any time at their convenience not later than our next annual session. Spoken to by T. L. Day, W. Elrod, L. C. Wilson, D. M. Wheeler, F. M. Huggins, G. W. Robbins,and adopted. The following committee was appointed: J. W. Harrison, H. L. Beshears, Z. T. Green, R. H. Townsend and Joe Green.

Adjourned to meet tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock and spend 30 minutes in devotional exercises. Granvill Storie assigned homes for the delegates and visitors. Prayer by G. W. Robbins.

SECOND DAY, WEDNESDAY, Sept. 14, 1921.

After singing, Rev. Oscar Dellinger read the 4 chapter of James. R. H. Shors led in prayer.

The Association was called to order by the Moderator. The minutes of yesterday were read and adopted. Called the roll of delegates, and invited Correspondents and visitors. Thomas Vandyke, L. C. Wilson accepted seats.

D. J. Church read report on Correspondence. Report adopted.

CORRESPONDENCE

To Three Forks Association: W. T. Lund, Z. T. Green.
To Brushy Mountain: N. C. Mikeal, B. F. Wilcox.
To Ashe County: D. M. Wheeler, B. F. Wilcox.
To Caldwell County: J. Amos Hampton, Edmon Green.
To Avery County: N. S. Hampton, J. G. Story.

D. J. Church, Com.

F. M. Huggins read report on Periodicals. Spoken to by F. M. Huggins and others. Report adopted.

REPORT on PERIODICALS

Periodicals literally means all the reading matter published by our denomination for our people.

The Biblical Recorder, the leading paper published in the state. Home and Foreign Field, Royal Ambassador, Mountain Trout, published by our Mission Board and sent free, Charity and Children. All of these are devotedly Baptist and well adapted to our people. And we earnestly suggest that our people take more of these papers, especially Charity And Children, as it will interest the children more than the other papers Then again this devoted literature will help to train the children in the home and in the Sunday Schools.

W. G. Todd Ch'mn., F. M. Huggins, Com.

F. M. Huggins read the report on Christian Education.

Spoken to by L. C. Wilson and others, and adopted.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Christian education means more, and should be stressed more

than we Baptist folks are stressing it. Why write a report from year to year, and make such little effort to arouse our people to see this need, let alone do so little and even nothing to establish schools or do any teaching. We as a Baptist people say that we believe in literacy and Christian education, but I believe that we are not doing as much as could easily be done to obtain this education.

Now why can we not build a Baptist school on this mountain top somewhere and put into practice what we say we believe?

We have Wake Forest College for men, and Meredith and Chowan for ladies, and a few other institutions of learning, but these few together with our public school system, is not sufficient for us to rest with. I hear men say, that have a good right to know, that we could get a Baptist school near here just for the asking, almost, and why not do it? A literary education is one of our greatest needs today, but Bible study is much more needed. We do not stress the study of the Bible enough, how can we do this with our present school facilities?

I want someone like W. S. Farthing to discuss this subject for me today and talk until it takes effect. Brother do your best now and I will help you next time.

We might say, that we have a fair chance to obtain a literary education, but the Christian education is the one for us. Stress Now, let's get this school.

N. L. Harrison

Z. T. Green read report on Missions. The time being up for Rev. F. M. Huggins to preach, the Association gave way for the sermon.

Rev. Huggins delivered an able and interesting Mission sermon.

Report on missions adopted.

MISSIONS

As Southern Baptists understand it, Missions are divided into three departments: State, Home and Foreign.

State Missions is very important, it is the foundation of the missionary work. The means by which the gospel is given to others must come from the state. Those that bear the gospel message must come from the state as well.

Home Missions includes the island possessions of the U. S. and all the territory that is under the control of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Foreign Missions includes all other parts of the earth that have not the gospel.

To send the gospel to other lands will require many missionaries and a great deal of means.

The 75-Million Campaign is the greatest blessing to Baptist if

properly used. Every one should stand by this great Cause as it is intended to carry out the command of our Saviour.

Respectfully,

Z. T. Green.

Adjourned for one hour. Prayer by Oscar Dellinger.

AFTER NOON SESSION

Moderator called the Association to order. Sang Tell It Every Where You Go. Prayer by D. M. Wheeler.

Miss Minnie Day read report on Woman's work. Spoken to by Miss Minnie Day, Mrs. Jeff Brown, F. M. Huggins, and adopted.

WOMAN'S WORK

Since the Organization known as the Woman's Misssionary Union, auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention has done so much in stimulating a mission spirit among the women and children, by Bible study, by mission study and by contributing systematically to the various causes. We wish to urge the pastors of the various churches to co-operate with the superintendent of the work in organizing the women of the various churches into this great work of training themselves as well as the young people for the service of God.

As a little leaven leaveneth the whole lump, so does a few women banded together do far the church of God.

Minnie Day.

The clerk read the report on Pastoral Support. Spoken to by N. S. Hampton, F. M. Huggins, L. C. Wilson and R. H. Shore, and adopted.

PASTORAL SUPPORT

When Jesus sent out his apostles he told them not to take their purse, for the laborer was worthy of his hire, Matt. 10: 9, 10. Paul also said that those who preach the gospel should live of the gospel. 1 Cor. 9: 7—14. Without question it is the will of God that those whom he calls into the ministry shall give themselves wholly to the work of the ministry' and that his people should see to it that they receive a sufficient support. In the nature of the case, the minister cannot press this matter himself. We would urge that the deacons of each church, urge that each member lay aside on the first day of the week as the Lord has prospered him, 1 Cor. 16: 1—2. This should be cast into the treasury of the church. We urge that we give not sparingly nor grudgingly, or of necessity; but cheerfully for God loveth a cheerful giver, 2 Cor. 9: 6, 7, 8. We are not owners, Haggai 2: 8, but stewards, Luke 19: 12, 13, 1 Cor. 4: 1, 2. As we must give an account of our stewardship to God, Luke 16: 1, 6. All the Tithes belong to the Lord, Lev. 27: 30, and if we would prosper we

must bring all the Tithes into the house of the Lord and He will open the windows of heaven to us in blessings. Mal. 3: 8, 9, 10.

Submitted by J. Amos Hampton, Com.

C. H.

D. M. Wheeler read report on Orphanage. Spoken to by D. M. Wheeler, G. W. Brown and adopted.

ORPHANAGE

We your committee beg leave to report as follows:

As it is a command of the Lord Jesus to visit the widows and orphans, we therefore should feel a deep interest in those who are without father or mother, or anything to help them in this life.

The Baptist Orphanage at Thomasville as one of the greatest institutions in our State, and we should look well to our duties to help support those 600 or more children. The way for us to feel interested in such worthy objects is to place ourselves in their condition, and then ask the Lord what He would have us do.

D. M. Wheeler.

L. C. Wilson read the report on Sunday Schools. Saoken to by L. C. Wilson, N. S. Hampton, and H. H. Crisp, and adopted.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS

We believe the Sunday school work which is supported by the Bible, and which has proved itself a fertile and thrifty nursery for the Church, is worthy of the whole-hearted support of every member of every church. We believe it is the Christian Duty of every member of our churches to make whatever sacrifice of labor, personal feelings or time necessary to boost the Sunday-school work at their home church.

We believe since Christ our Saviour taught in the synagogue on the sabbath day, that we, his professed followers, should either be teachers or students—not to lean on, but to build up this cause.

No country is greater than its manhood, no country greater than its Womanhood, no cause greater than its constituants. We have nothing to make the men out of who will soon take our places, but the little boys of today. We have nothing to make the good Christian mothers out of, except the little girls; we have nothing to constitute our churches for the future, but the Little Child who Soloman advises that we train in the way it should go, with the encouraging assurance that when he is old he will not depart from it.

We believe the lives and souls of our children are more precious in the sight of wisdom and in the sight of God than any other creature or thing which might have our attention on the Sabbath day.

We believe the good writers and teachers of the Southern Baptist Convention make it to our best interest to use their helps in the Sun

day school work.

Prayerfully submitted by W. S Church.

Report on Resolutions was read by Z. T. Green and adopted.

RESOLUTIONS

1. We advise that the churches adhere to the teachings of God's word more, and deal with their members for indulging in sin any way. We fear there is a falling off in keeping the Sabbath, and we insist that the churches deal with their members humbly under the influence of the Spirit of God and His word. We urge everyone to stand by the command of God to keep the Sabbath holy unto the Lord.

Resolved 2. That we study God's word more and each member attend Sunday school regularly. No father and mother should do less than come to Sunday school and church with their children.

Resolved 3. That the sincere thanks of this Association are due, and are tendered to this church and community for their hospitality in entertaining this Association so wonderfully.

L. M. Hodges.

Z. T. Green read report on Place and Preacher. Report adopted

PLACE and PREACHER

The 61st Annual Session of the Stony Fork Baptist Association will convene with the Watauga Baptist Church, near Valley Creek flag station on Linville River Railway. Convening on Tuesday after the second Sunday in Sept. 1922.

Annual sermon by Elder Oscar Dellinger; Elder B. F. Wilcox alternate.

W. F. Gragg,
J. G. Storie,
R. H. Townsend } Com

Z. T. Green read report on Finance, which was adopted.

REPORT of FINANCE COMMITTEE

Minute Fund	$19.56
75-Million Campaign	71.79
Orphanage	7.09
Total,	98.44

Allowed the Clerk for his services $12.50.

Z. T. Green, R. H. Townsend, Com.

An offering was taken for the clerk, amounting to $14.00.

Appointed Chairmen of Committees to write reports and have them present at the begining of the next annual session of this Association.

J. Amos Hampton to write report on Missions, including State, Home and Foreign.

Write report on Sunday Schools, Z. T. Green.

Resolutions: J W Harrison.
Orphanage: H L Beshears.
Christian Education: R H Townsend.
Temperance: D M Weeler.
Periodicals: Blain Coffey.
Correspondence: J G Storie.
Finance: L M Hodges.
Pastoral Support: Oscar Dellinger with the Moderator.
Place and Preacher: W F Gragg, Will Anderson.
Obituaries: N S Hampton.
Woman's Work: Miss Minnie Day.
Order of Business: Moderator and Clerk.

Z. T. Green read report of the committee on consolidation of the Stony Fork and the Three Forks Associations. Report being adopted after a lengthy discussion.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

We the Committee appointed by the Stony Fork Association to confer with the Committee appointed by the Three Forks Association to consider the consolidation of the two bodies, submit the following propositions:

1. We propose to make the two bodies one Association and call it the Watauga County Association.

2. That we preserve the records of each association as past history.

3. We will accept the same terms in uniting into one body that the Three Forks Association will accept, that is by both dissolving and forming one body.

Z. T. Green, Chm'n.,
H. L. Beshears,
R. H. Townsend,
J. E. Green,
J. W. Harrison, Com.

After some remarks by L. C. Wilson, he led in prayer.

Sang How Firm a Foundation, as the parting hand was taken, with manifest tokens of the Spirit's presence.

The Moderator led in prayer.

ELD. B. F. WILCOX, Moderator.
ELD. N. S. HAMPTON, Clerk.

TABLE I.-STATISTICAL

CHURCH	PASTOR	P. O.	CLERK	P. O.	Time of Preaching	Value of Ch. Property	Received by Baptism	Rec. by Letter	Restored	Lost by Letter	Excluded	Died	No. of Males	No. Females	Total Membership
Boones Fork	Edmon Hodge	Adams, N.C.	Merritt Coffey	Shulls Mills NC	2	$ 450	21	6	..	..	1	..	22	67	89
Doe Ridge	No letter.														
Elk	Not represented.														
HopkinsChapel	L L Nichols	Finley, N.C.	OscarDellinger	Edgemont, NC	3	600	7				1		5	14	19
Laurel Fork	D M Wheeler	Bamboo	J G Storie	Blowing Rock	3	300		1		1		1	47	72	119
Mt. Vernon	D M Wheeler	Bamboo	J A Hampton	Blowing Rock	1	1000	11	6	2	4	1	2	129	144	274
Mt. Ephraim	E M Gragg	Vilas	Joe Wheeler	Bamboo	2	1000	9	1	1	3			55	95	150
Middle Cane	J E Green	Stony Fork	J W Hendrix	Stony Fork	3	100	1	1				2	10	23	33
New Hopewell	OscarDellinger	Edgemont	David Coffey	Gragg	1	350				1	3		28	71	99
Poplar Grove	E M Gragg	Vilas	W R Anderson	Vilas	2	3100	11	2		8	5	1	70	75	145
Rock Springs	B F Wilcox	Shulls Mills	J A Keys	Darby	1	1000	6			1		2	39	39	78
Watauga	N S Hampton	Pineola	R H Townsend	Banner Elk	3	2000	16	2	1		16	2	44	70	114
Yellow Hill	Melvin Mikeal	Patton's Ridge	D J Church	Summit N C	3	800	4	4		9	3	1	40	86	126
Mt. Paron	Not represented.														

TABLE II.-FINANCIAL

CHURCH	Pastor's Salary	Building & Repairs	Incidentals	S. S. Expenses	The Poor	Minute Fund	Other Objects	75-Millon (Undes.)	State&As Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Orphanage	Ministers' Relief	TOTAL
Boones Fork	62.35	450.00	.....	6.75	15.00	2.00	.....	.....	.....	13.75	.....	.....	.....	549.85
Doe Ridge														
Elk														
HopkinsChapel	14.00			1.50		.60						2.00		18.10
Laurel Fork	36.45					1.00						3.59		41.04
Mt. Vernon	179.55	23.80	31.00	29.49	25.60	4.50	220.63	27.16	7.73	1.00	31.30	79.73	7.25	668.49
Mt. Ephraim	47.75			4.00		1.56	35.00	17.50				1.50		117.31
Middle Cane	17.85					1.75								19.60
NewHopewell	9.82			1.50		.60	3.15							15.07
Poplar Grove	101.77	3.15	55.85	33.02	4.20	3.00	7.50	49.65					4.64	314.07
Rock Springs	28.92	60.00		2.50	8.00	1.50								100.92
Watauga	98.00	2000.00	3.00	18.00	20.00	3.00	99.10	64.50						2301.10
Yellow Hill	67.11		23.30	52.31	17.88	1.80		45.65				3.33		211.38
Mt, Paron	No report.													

TABLE III.-SUNDAY SCHOOLS

CHURCH	SUPT.	P. O.	SEC'Y.	P. O.	No. of Schools	Officers and Teachers	Pupils	Total Enrollment	Church Members in S. S.	Months Open	Baptisms from School	School Expenses	Missions	Orphanage.	Other Objects	Total Contributions
Boone's Fork	Blaine Coffey	Shulls Mills, NC	Merritt Coffey	Shulls Mills NC	1	6	75	81	30	6	..	6.75	.....	.....	.....	6.75
Doe Ridge	No report.															
Elk	No report.															1.50
HopkinsChap'l	Oscar Dellinger	Edgemont, N.C.	Minnie Dellinger,	Edgemont	1	3	27	30	10	12		1.50				5.23
Laurel Fork	J G Storie	Blowing Rock	Ada Green	Blowing Rock	1	5	60	65	20	6		5.23				163.83
Mt. Vernon	O M Storie	Blowing Rock	T L Critcher	Bamboo	1	9	120	129		12		29.49	27.16	68.59	38.59	4.00
Mt. Ephraim	Jacob Hayes	Triplett	Jennie Wheeler	Bamboo	1	5	50	55	20	12		4.00				
Mt. Paron	No report.															
Middle Cane	No School.															
New Hopewell	G F Coffey	Gragg N.C.	Jennie Coffey	Gragg N.C.	1	4	40	44	12	6		1.50		5.85		7.35
Poplar Grove	B F Robertson	Shulls Mills	T C Hodges	Boone	1	10	36	46		12	10	33.02				33.02
Rock Springs	J A Keys	Darby "	J T Woods	Darby "	1	5	45	50	25	6		2.50				2.50
Watauga	L M Hodges	Banner Elk	R H Townsend	Banner Elk	1	8	121	129	34	12		18.00			25.15	43.15
Yellow Hill	S J Church	Summit	Martin Beshears	Summit	1	9	114	123	55	12	4	22.50		3.33	26.89	52.31

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WATAUGA COUNTY, N. C.,

SEPTEMBER 12—13, 1922.

ELDER B. F. WILCOX, Moderator, Shulls Mills, N. C.
ELDER N. S. HAMPTON, Clerk & Treas., Pineola, N. C.

The 62nd annual session of the Stony Fork Baptist Association will convene with Poplar Grove Baptist church, one mile from Hodge's Gap Flag Station, on the Linville River Railway, commencing on Tuesday after the second Sunday in September 1923.

Annual sermon by Elder N. S. Hampton, D. M. Wheeler, alternate.

Will H. McGuire, Printer, Brookside, N. C.

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OFFICERS:

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ASSOCIATIONAL MISSION BOARD

B F Wilcox, Moderator,	Shulls Mills, N. C.
Z T Green, Secretary,	Shulls Mills, "
D M Wheeler, Pastor,	Bamboo, "
Blaine Coffey, Layman Worker,	Shulls Mills, "
Miss Ethel Day, Women's Work,	Blowing Rock, "
R H Townsend, B Y P U Worker	Banners Elk, "
L M Hodges, Sunday Schools,	Banners Elk, "
Mrs Abbie Baird,	Banners Elk, "
C M Critcher,	Boone, "
Joe E Green,	Blowing Rock, "
J W Harrison,	Blowing Rock, "
H L Beshears,	Summit, "

To Baptist State Convention: R H Townsend, Banners Elk, N. C.
To Southern Baptist Convention: Eld. D M Wheeler, Bamboo, "
Member of State Mission Board: Z T Green, Shulls Mills, "

ORDAINED MINISTERS AND P. O.

Ashley, W D	Blowing Rock, N. C.
Brown, G W	Boone, "
Church, W N	Summit, "
Church, J W	Summit, "
Dellinger, Oscar	Edgemont, "
Green, Edmon	Sands, "
Green, R G	Fleetwood, "
Hendrix, Tuttle	Akron, Ohio.
Miller, M D	Triplett, N. C.
Wheeler, D M	Bamboo, "
Wilcox, B F	Shulls Mills, "
Watson, G M	Darby, "

LICENSED MINITERS & P. O.

Brown, A M	Boone, N. C.
Hampton, J Amos	Blowing Rock, "
Miller, Thos.	Stony Fork, "
Watson, G D	Stony Fork, "

PROCEEDINGS

Watauga Baptist Church, Watauga County, N. C.
Tuesday, Sept. 12, 1922.

The Stony Fork Baptist Association met in its 61st annual Session.

After beautiful singing by the choir, B. F. Wilcox read verses from 90th Psalm, D. M. Wheeler led in prayer.

Elder Oscar Dellinger preached the annual sermon from Luke 10:2.

N. S. Hampton read the Order of Business which was adopted.

Letters from 12 churches were handed in and referred to the Committee on Digest of Letters.

The term of the present officers being up, on motion of D. M. Wheeler and seconded by J. A. Hampton, B. F. Wilcox was elected Moderator and N. S. Hampton Clerk.

The Moderator announced the following Committees:

Missions, State, Home and Foreign—J A Hampton, F M Huggins.
Sunday Schools—Z T Green, R I Haynes.
Resolutions--D M Wheeler, J E Green.
Orphanage—H L Beshears, D S Miller, Blaine Coffey.
Christian Education—R H Townsend, D P Bridges.
Temperance—D M Wheeler, G W Robbins.
Periodicals—Blaine Coffey, C M Critcher.
Correspondence—J A Hampton, N G Wheeler, Harris Cook.
Devotional Services—Pastor and delegates of Watauga church.
State of Churches and Digest of Letters—N S Hampton, Z T Green, R H Townsend.
Nominations—T C Hodges, L M Hodges, H L Beshears.
Finance— L M Hodges, Z T Green.
Place and Preacher—Blaine Coffey, Z T Greene, S P Townsend.
Obituaries—Edmon Green, N S Hampton.
Woman's Work—F M Huggins, Mrs Abbie Baird.

Invited correspondents and visitors. G. W Robbins and Rev. F. M. Huggins, correspondents from Three Forks association, D. P. Bridges from Avery association accepted seats.

Adjourned for one hour. Prayer by D. P. Bridges.

At the noon hour a bountiful dinner was served.

AFTER NOON SESSION

After singing "He Leadeth Me," F. M. Huggins led in prayer.

R. H. Townsend read the report on

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

We rejoice in the great progress of Christian Education.

We believe that no Christian body is doing more for Christian Education than Baptists.

Our schools are enlarging wonderfully and educating a host of young men and women that have been and are going out into honored positions with a righteous influence, to the uttermost parts of the world.

We urge upon parents to seek the advantage of sending their children to our Christian schools, that our young people may not be like Saul of Tarsus before conversion, be a graduate in book knowledge, but an enemy to Jesus Christ.

We urge that our people contribute more freely to the causes of Christian Education and patronize our schools, such as Buie's Creek Yancy Collegiate Institute, at Burnsville, Meredith, and Wake Forest colleges.

R. H. Townsend, D. P. Bridges, Com.

Report ably spoken to by D. P. Bridges and adopted.

An offering was taken by D. P. Bridges to apply on the indebtness of Newland church, amounting to $4 60

Z. T. Green read the report of Executive Committee. Spoken to by the Clerk, D. P. Bridges and adopted.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

We the Executive Committee of the Stony Fork Association, met at Poplar Grove in July 1922, and made the following recommendations:

1. We recommend that some one be appointed by the association to represent us on the Baptist State Mission Board.

2. That the preachers, leaders and lay-men do all they can to arouse the evangelistic spirit among our churches.

3. We recommend that some active minister be appointed as missionary to work among our churches, and that the State Mission Board be asked to assist in the work.

Rev. B. F. Wilcox, J. W. Harrison, Z. T. Green, Secy.

On motion of D. M. Wheeler, that we ask the State Mission Board to aid in the support of N. S. Hampton, part time missionary for our association.

N. S. Hampton read report of Treasurer which was adopted.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Received for Minute Fund from Committee	$ 19.56
" From Association	14.00
" " Middle Cane Church,	1.75
Total,	$ 35.31
Received for 75 Million undesignated	$ 71.79
" " Orphanage,	7.09
Total received,	$114.19

DISBURSEMENTS

To Walters Durham,	$ 71.79
" Thomasville Orphanage,	7.09
Printing Minutes,	22.40
Mailing, and allowed Clerk for services,	12.91
Total,	$114.19

Mailing, $1.52. N. S. Hampton, Treas.

D. M. Wheeler read the report on Temperance. Spoken to by D. M. Wheeler, G. W. Robbins, N. S. Hampton, and adopted.

TEMPERANCE

About 100 years ago, the Christian churches began their crusade against intemperance; first by fighting against church members useing intoxicating drinks to excess, finally making it sufficient cause for expulsion of members for public drunkenness, and prohibbiting church members from furnishing fruit and grain to be distilled into intoxicating liquors.

When church sentiment was sufficiently crystalized, laws began to be enacted to suppress this greatest of evils, first by incorporating church houses, then by local prohibition in various communities, then by referendum to the people by counties, then by State-wide prohibition which finally culminated in the passage of the 18 amendment to the Federal Constitution, and the enactment of the Volstead Enforcement Act.

It seems that we have sufficient protection by law to wipe out this curse from our beloved land, through the combined efforts of all Christian bodies as well as the moral forces.

We insist that each church member lend a helping hand to our sheriffs and officers in stamping out this monstrous evil and we should be total abstainers from the cigarette habit and stand togther in a solid breast to wipe out the cigarette.

D. M. Wheeler, G. W. Robbins.

N. S. Hampton asked that the association appoint a board of twelve to be styled as the Stony Fork Associational Mission Board.

On motion of D. M. Wheeler said board was appointed as follows:

See page one.

Committee on Devotional services report as follows:

Sept. 12, 7:30 p. m., song service.
" " 8:00 " sermon by Eld. Edmon Green.
Sept. 13, 9:00 a. m., devotional services by D. M. Wheeler.
" " 10:40 " sermon on missions, F. M. Huggins.

L. M. Hodges assigned homes for the delegates and visitors.

Prayer by G. W. Robbins.

EVENING SESSION

After a song service Elder Edmon Green preached an interesting sermon, text: 1st John 3:2.

An offering was taken for Bro. Green, amounting to $4.50.

SECOND DAY, WEDNESDAY SEPT. 13, 1922

After singing, Rev. D. M. Wheeler read 12th chapter of Romans.

Prayer by Oscar Dellinger.

Sang, "Since Jesus Came into My Heart"

Read and approved minutes of previous sessions.

Called roll of delegates.

N. S. Hampton read the report on Digest of Letters and State of the Churches. Spoken to by N. S. Hampton and adopted.

DIGEST of LETTERS and STATE of CHURCHES

Last year 11 churches report having pastors; 3 churches no report This year 12 churches report having pastors; 3 churches no report.

Last year 11 churches reported once a month preaching.

This year one church report twice a month preaching and 11 churches once a month preaching.

Last year 11 churches report for pastors salary $601.22.

This year 12 churches report for pastors salary $599.19.

11 churches last year report gain by baptism 86. Total gain 113. 1 with a loss of 68.

12 churches this year gained by baptism 52. Total gain 74, with a loss of 69.

6 churches last year gave to missions $258.24; 7 churches this year gave to missions $274.09

5 churches last year gave to Orphanage $90.15; 2 churches this year gave to Orphanage $72 40

10 churches report Sunday-school last year, enrollment 752, officers 54, one church no S. school, 3 churches no report.

11 churches this year report S. school, enrollment 765, officers 69, one church no S. S., 2 churches, no report.

One S. school last year gave to missions $27.16; one S. school this year gave to missions $2.20.

There are two W. M. U's. in the association. One W. M. U. gave to Missions $17.95.

3 Sunbeams reported this year.

2 B. Y. P U. reported this year.

3 churches in the association have no houses of worship.

N. S. Hampton, R. H. Townsend, Z. T. Greene.

N. S. Hampton read the report on Obituaries and was adopted.

OBITUARIES

The Committee on Obituaries submit the following report:

The minutes of the various churches show the deaths of 11 of its members with in the past year.

Resolved: That we as a committee in behalf of the Stony Fork Association offer our sympathy to each bereft family, and pray the Master to fill the vacancy caused by death with another brother or sister, that the cause may be put forward.

Our loss is Heaven's gain. Respectfully,

N. S. Hampton, Edmon Geeen.

C. M. Critcher read report on Periodicals. Spoken to by C. M. Critcher, F. M. Huggins, N. S. Hampton, and adopted.

PERIODICALS.

We the Committee on Periodicals submit the following report:

That all Baptists use Baptist literature in their Sunday-schools, and we ask all Baptist people to take and read some good Baptist paper. We recommend the Biblical Recorder, Charity and Children or some other good Baptist paper.

We also recommend that all our Baptists use Southern Baptist literature in their Sunday-schools.

Blaine Coffey, C. M. Critcher.

Z. T. Greene read the report on Place and Preacher, was adopted.

PLACE AND PREACHER

We the Committee on Place and Preacher submit the following report: We ask for the Association to convene with Poplar Grove church at the next regular session which is on Tuesday after the second Sunday in September 1923, Rev N. S. Hampton to preach the annual sermon, Rev. D. M. Wheeler, alternate.

Respectfully,

Z. T. Greene, S. P. Townsend.

Rev. F. M. Huggins read the report on missions.

Rev. F. M. Huggins read some verses from the first chapter of the Acts. Led in prayer, and preached an able and interesting sermon, theme: Missions, text, Acts 1:8.

Spoken to by N. S. Hampton, B. F. Wilcox, and adopted.

MISSIONS

The Mission work of Southern Baptists is divided into State, Home and Foreign Missions. Since the 75 Million Campaign was launched three years ago great advance has been made along all lines of our mission work. The collections on the 75 Million Campaign up to May 1, 1922 amounted to $35,152,211.69. Southern Baptist forces baptized 150,000 more the last three years than they did the three

years preceeding.

They increased their contributions to missions and benevolences $18,938,862 : and to all causes by $43,480,490. Baptist hospitals have been increased from 12 to 19 with three others under construction and four more definitely planned

Foreign Missions:

Great progress has been made in our Foreign mission work. Through our Foreign mission Board, we are carrying on mission work in China, Japan, Mexico and the republics of South America. In these old mission fields great progress has been made. We are also projecting mission work in Europe, Spain, Jugo. Slavia, Roumania, Russia and Palistine are now mission territory for Southern Baptists.

Since the campaign began the Foreign Mission Board has sent out 208 new missionaries with a number of others soon to sail. Native workers have increased from 771 to 1,173; new churches organized 117; baptisms 21,723; Sunday-schools 211; gain of 17,576 pupils, native contributions of $1,003,390.68, and 529,642 treatments administered by medical missions.

HOME MISSIONS

The work of the Home Mission Board is projected along the following lines:

Evangelism, enlistment, mountain schools, church building, and mission work among the Indians and Negroes. During the three years of the campaign the Home Mission Board has employed 1,495 missionaries, and reports for that period 134,832 baptisms, 218,371 additions to the churches, 759 churches organized, 1,409 houses of worship built or repaired, and 9,523 volunteers sor special Christian service.

STATE MISSIONS

State Mission work includes the following departments:

Sunday-schools, B. Y. P. U., W. M. U., Evangelism and enlistment. Great advance is reported along all these lines. North Carolina's quota for the five years of the Campaign was $6,140,000. Nov. 30 will complete three full years of the campaign. If we come to November 30 with our debts paid, we must raise from August 1 to November 30 $796,998.91.

There are about 210 missionary pastors in the employ of the State Mission Board. These men serve 350 churches and reccive from $5. to $175.00 permonth.

We Recommend: 1. That the pastors preach on State, Home and Foreign Missions

2. That special collections be taken for these objects.

3. That the members be urged to pay their pledges to the 75 Mil-

lion Campaign. Respectfully submitted,

F. M. Huggins, J. Amos Hampton.

Adjourned for one hour. Prayer by D. M. Wheeler. At the noon hour a bountiful dinner was served.

A resolution for the Stony Fork Association to dissolve into a Watauga County Association was read and offered as follows:

RESOLUTION

Resolved, That we the Stony Fork Association, having lost our mother church, that it would be to the betterment of the cause of Chrsst for us to dissolve.

Resolved 2. That the Stony Fork Association dissolve at its next annual meeting, on Tuesday after the second Sunday in September 1923 into an association to be known as the Watauga County Association.

Resolved 3. That the Records of the Stony Fork Association be preserved as past history.

Resolved 4. That these resolutions be submitted to each church in the Stony Fork Association in regular session and votes taken for Resolution or against Resolution; a majority to determine.

Report result to next association.

5th If a majority of the said association approve these resolutions they go into effect, otherwise null and void.

6th The churches in said association in other counties are given a warm welcone to stay with us.

H. L. Beshears read report on Orphanage.

Spoken to by F. M. Huggins and adopted.

ORPHANAGE

We your committee report as follows:

It is a command af the Lord Jesus to visit the widows and orphans The Baptist Orphanage at Thomasville is one of the greatest institutions in our state. We should look well to our duties to help to support those 600 or more orphan children.

We insist that our Deacons press the claim of this home upon all our members, and ask our brother pastors to urge this matter to all their churches. Ask God to direct this work and work according to His directions.

H. L. Beshears, D. S. Miller, Com.

F. M. Huggins read the report on Woman's Work for Miss Day.

Spoken to by F. M. Huggins, Mrs. Albie Baird, and and adopted.

WOMAN'S WORK

We believe that the woman's missionary movement is a part of the church at work, that the women organized and working together can

accomplish greater things for Christ in the community, in the state as well as in foreign fields.

When we are informed of the accomplishments of the faithful bands of a few gathered here and there it is wonderful.

Therefore we wish to urge those who have organized not to be weary in well doing, but to remain faithful and urge those who have not to do so and share in the Master's work.

Minnie Day, Com.

B. F. Wilcox read report on Pastoral Support.

Spoken to by B. F. Wilcox and others and adopted.

PASTORAL SUPPORT

It is no longer apparent to follow the tradition of our fathers. So we believe the Baptists of this mountain section are falling behind and wonderfully lacking in system, possibly the time is fully ripe for organization on the part of churches.

Two or more churches entering into a mutual agreement to call a man to serve them and feed the flock of God. This man if possible should be located within his field of labor so he may acquaint himself with the needs of his people. How can a man be fully prepared to advise the proper specific for sin and feed the flock, rightly dividing the Word of truth, unless he gives himself to the study of the Word, meditation and prayer. Then the old idea of, give to the preacher, is cast aside with all other out of date things, and it's pay the laborer his wages for he is worthy of his hire, and that means nothing short of an adequate support

Signed, B. F. Wilcox, Oscar Dellinger.

Read and adopted report on Resolutions.

REPORT on RESOLUTIONS

1st. Resolved. That this association render thanks to the members of Watauga church and community in general for their kindness in entertaining this association so wonderfully.

Resolved 2. That we study God's Word more and each member attend Sunday-school, and we urge that each father and mother attend Sunday-school with their children and try to keep the command of God, to keep the Sabbath holy.

Resolved 3, That the churches be more attentive in the support of their pastors and to the teaching of God's Word.

J. W. Harrison, D. M. Wheeler, J. E. Greene.

Z. T. Greene read the report on Sunday-schools, spoken to by Z. T. Greene and adopted.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS

The Sunday-school is not a separate institution, but a part of the

church. We believe it to be one of the most important factors of the church. A large majority of our people, who are saved, are those who have attended Sunday-school. There should be a coming together every Sabbath that the soul might be fed: "For, as new born babes desire the sincere milk of the Word, that we may grow thereby."

The pastor and church that look well to their Sunday-school are looking well to their church, and do not have any cause of which to be ashamed.

What should we study in Sunday school? We should more earnest heed to the study of the Bible, though helps are needed, and our Sunday-school literature is good to help us understand the Scripture

Only Christian teachers and officers should occupy the responsible places in this service. There should be more earnest prayer on the part of the church for the Sunday-school, officers and teachers. The aim of all should be to turn the lost to Christ. Respectfully,

Z. T. Greene, Roey Haynes.

L. M. Hodges read report on Finance.

FINANCE

Minute Fund,	$22.50
75 Million,	36.25
Home Missions,	2.35
Total,	$61.10
Allowed the Clerk, $15.00	

L. M. Hodges, Z. T. Greene.

Collection for minute fund, $4.90.

Read and approved report on Nominations. See list of committees

ROLL OF DELEGATES

Boones Fork—Merritt Coffey, Blaine Coffey.
Doe Ridge—G W BroWn, Edmon Greene, John Hodges.
Hopkins Chapel—Oscar Dellinger.
Laurel Fork—J E Greene.
Mt. Vernon—J Amos Hampton, C M Critcher, H G Cook.
Mt Ephraim—N G Wheeler, Brady Cox.
New Hopewell—David Coffey.
Poplar Grove—Z T Greene, T C Hodges, R I Haynes,
Watauga—L M Hodges, L Baird, S P Townsend, R H Townsend.
Yellow Hill—H L Beshears.

Chairmen of Committees to write reports for next association:

State Missions: J Amos Hampton.
Home Missions: R H Townsend.
Foreign Missions: Z T Green.
Education: D M Wheeler.

Orphanage: R H Townsend.
Sunday Schools: H L Beshears.
Resolutions: Merritt Coffey.
Periodicals: B F Wilcox.
Pastoral Support: L Baird.
Temperance: J W Harrison.
Obituaries: N S Hampton.
Woman's Work: Miss Ethel Day.
Order of Business: Moderator and Clerk.
Place and Preacher: Merritt Coffey.
Correspondence: T C Hodges.
Digest of Letters: N S Hampton, R H Townsend.

Read and approved report on

CORRESPONDENCE

The Committee on Correspondence beg to submit the following report, that we ask the following brethren to represent us in the sister associations viz:

Three Forks: Z. T. Greene.
Ashe: H. L. Beshears.
Caldwell: Rev. Oscar Dellinger.
Avery Co.: J. Amos Hampton.
Brushy Mtn.: Rev. D. M. Wheeler.

We urge that the above named representatives be sure and attend the above named associations.

Submitted,
J. Amos Hampton, H. G. Cook, N. G. Wheeler.

After some touching remarks by Rev. D. M. Wheeler, the association took the parting hand while singing, "How Firm a Foundation."

Adjourned. Prayer by N. S. Hampton.

Elder B. F. WILCOX, Moderator.
Elder N. S. HAMPTON, Clerk.

STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCHES	Cons	PASTOR	P. O.	CLERK & P. O.	Meeting Time	Baptism	Letters	Statements	Restorations	Lost by Letter	Exclusions	Deaths	Total Present Members	Revivals held during the yr.	Lord's Supper	Families taking Bap. pap.	When Built	Persons Seated	No. of Rooms	Value Church House and Grounds
Boones Fork		D M Wheeler,	Bamboo, NC,	Merritt Coffey, Shulls Mills.	2	4	2	..	..	..	..	..	95	1	2	..	1916	300	1	500
Doe Ridge	1894	W A Pennell,	Zionville	Mrs R S Brown, Boone	4	1	1			3		2	29	1	2			130	1	150
Elk		No report.																		
Hopkins Chapel	1917	O. Dellenger,	Edgemont "	D L Chester, Edgemont	2&4							1	18							
Laurel Fork	1853	D M Wheeler,	Bamboo	J G Storie, Blowing Rock	3	1			1	8	1	1	110	1	1		1885	300	1	1000
Mt. Vernon	1866	D M Wheeler,	Bamboo	J A Hampton, B. Rock	1		3	4	1	6	7	2	267	1	2		1896	500	1	1000
Mt. Ephraim	1856	Levi Green,	Hopkins	Jacob Hayes, Bamboo	2	13	2			2	4	2	156	1	1	2	1910	200	1	1000
Mt. Paron		T S Robbins,	Buffalo Cove	G D Watson, Stony Fork	1		1			4		3	26	no	1			200	1	300
Middle Cane		W N Church,	Summit	J W Hendrix, "	3	3			1			1	37	1	1		1912	200	1	300
New Hopewell	1874	O. Dellenger	Edgemont	David Coffey, Gragg	1	3				6			96	1	0		1911	200	1	350
Poplar Grove		L A Wilson,	Zionville	W R Anderson, Vilas	1	10	2			7	2		147	1	2		1912	172	1	3100
Rock Springs	1891	G M Watson,	Darby	J T Woods, Darby N.C.	1	1	1	1			4		76	1	1			500	1	1000
Watauga	1844	N S Hampton,	Pineola, N.C.	R H Townsend, Banner Elk	3	11	2	1	1	3	1		127	1	4	2	1921	400	5	2500
Yellow Hill	1853	J M Michael,	Pattons Ridge,	D J Church, Summit	3	8				2	1		131	1	1	1	1910	400	1	800

All the above church houses are built of wood.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TABLE

CHURCH	SUPT.	P. O.	SEC'Y.	P. O.	Officers and Teachers	Total Enrolled	Average Attendance	Total Beginners Prim & Junior	No. Organized Classda	Baptisms from School	Local Expenses	To Missions	Total Contributions
Boones Fork	A. H. Dula	Shulls Mills	Earl Coffey	Shulls Mills	6	65	56	30	3	.....	5.25	.....	2.25
Doe Ridge	No school.												
Elk	No report.												
Hopkins Chapel	O. Dellenger	Edgemont			3	26	20	16			3.00		3.00
Laurel Fork	F F Holder	Blowing Rock	J G Storie	Blowing Rock	5	50	30				2.10		2.10
Mt. Vernon	Ira Critcher	Bamboo	W G Todd	Bamboo	12	185	105	86	8		35.51		35.51
Mt. Ephraim	Jacob S Hayes	Bamboo	Julia Wheeler	Bamboo	5	82	75	55	4	4	10.00		10.00
Mt. Paron	G D Watson	Stony Fork	W E Miller	Stony Fork	5	40	35						
Middle Cane	Lee Minton	Triplett	Zina Hendrix	Stony Fork	6	43	35	27	3		1.25		1.25
New Hopewell	G F Coffey	Gragg	Jennie Coffey	Gragg	5	35	25	15	3		3.00		3.00
Poplar Grove	W R Anderson	Vilas	Florence Green	Shulls Mills	8	58	31	40		10	22.20		22.20
Rock Springs	Mrs R C Woods	Darby	J T Woods	Darby	5	60	45	40	3		1.50		1.50
Watauga	L M Hodges	Banners Elk	A D Townsend	Banners Elk	8	102	65	55	5	5	28.73		28.73
Yellow Hill	Mrs W S Church	Summit	W C Church	Summit	10	104	66	56			31.98	2.20	34.18

NOTE— All above post offices are in North Carolina.

FINANCIAL TABLE

CHURCH	Pastor's Salary	Incidentals	Building & Repairs	Ministerial Help	Local Poor	Literature S.S. & B.Y.P.U	Printing	Other Objects	Total Local ch con-
Boones Fork	75.45	1.25	.....	40.76	6.03	5.25	2.00	.....	130.
Doe Ridge	3.65			10.60			.75		15.(
Elk	No report.								
Hopkins Chapel	7·82					3.00	.35		8.
Laurel Fork	50.75		658.00			2.10	1.50		712.3
Mt. Vernon	135.00	41.00	202.50	51.45		35.51	5.00		470.2
Mt. Ephraim	65.26	7.47		63.00		10.00	2.00		147.
Mt. Paron	4.00						1.00		5.(
Middle Cane	48.70					1.25	1.00		49.9
New Hopewell	7.75	.75					.55		17.5
Poplar Grove	56.00	5.81		50.00	8.50	22.20	3.11		123.4
Rock Springs	58.00		100.00			1.50	1.00		152.5
Watauga	78.40		73.47	28.00	6.56	28.73	3.00	6.23	224.3
Yellow Hill	65.71		3.12		26.50	31.98	1.73		129.8

New Hopewell reports $8 50 and Yellow Hill 80 cts. as "Other Salaries."

REGULAR CHURCH TREASURERS AND P. O.

Boones Fork— Merritt Coffey,	Shulls Mills, N. C.
Doe Ridge— Monia Brown,	Boone, "
Laurel Fork— J. G. Storie,	Blowing Rock "
Mt. Vernon— W. G. Todd,	Bamboo, "
Mt. Ephraim— Fred Hartley,	Triplett, "
Mt. Paron-- G. D. Watson,	Stony Fork, "
New Hopewell— David Coffey,	Gragg, "
Rock Springs— Tilden Woods,	Darby, "
Watauga— L. M. Hodges,	Banners Elk, "
Yellow Hill— D. J. Church,	Summit, "

75 Million (Undes.)	Foreign D Missions	Home D Missions	State D Missiotn	Orphan-age D	Foreign Relief	Total 75-Million	Other Be-nevolence	Total all Contribu-tions
		2.35						2.35
46.30	1.00			68.95	22.28	138.33		138.53
39.00								39.00
34.25			1.60					35.85
		9.89	2.00					11.89
25.87							10.68	36.35
15.00				3.45	5.60	24.05		24.05

SPECIAL TREASURERS AND P. O.

Mt. Vernon— C. M. Critcher, Boone, N. C.
Watauga— L. M. Hodges, Banners Elk, N. C.
Yellow Hill— Miss Selia Beshears, Summit, N. C.

MINUTES

OF THE

62d ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

Stony Fork Baptist Association

HELD WITH

Poplar Grove Baptist Church

WATAUGA COUNTY, N. C.

SEPTEMBER 11—12, 1923

ELDER B. F. WILCOX, MODERATOR, Shulls Mills, N. C.
ELDER N. S. HAMPTON, CLERK & TREAS., Pineola, N. C.

The 63d Annual Session of the Stony Fork Baptist Association will convene with Boones Fork Baptist Church, six miles west of Blowing Rock and 5 miles from Foscoe, Flag station on Linville River Railway, commencing on Tuesday after the second Sunday in September 1924.

Annual sermon by Eld. W. D. Ashley. Eld B.F.Wilcox, Alt.

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B. F. Wilcox Moderator,	Shulls Mills, N. C.
Z. T. Green Secretary,	Shulls Mills, "
D. M. Wheeler Pastor,	Bamboo, "
Blaine Coffey Layman Worker,	Shulls Mills, "
Miss Ethel Day Woman's Work,	Blowing Rock, "
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L. M. Hodges S. S. Worker,	Banners Elk, "
Mrs. Z. T. Green,	Shulls Mills, "
C. M. Critcher,	Boone, "
Joe E. Greene,	Blowing Rock, "
J. W. Harrison,	Blowing Rock, "
H. L. Beshears,	Summit, "

To Baptist State Convention: N. L. Harrison, Blowing Rock, NC
To Southern Baptist Convention: Eld D M Wheeler, Bamboo "
Member State Mission Board: Z T Green, Shulls Mills.

Ordained Ministers and P. O.

Ashley, W. D.	Blowing Rock, N. C.
Brown, G. W.	Boone, "
Church, W N	Summit, "
Church, J W	Summit, "
Dellenger, Oscar	Linville, "
Greene, R G	Fleetwood, "
Hendrix, — —	Akron, Ohio
Hampton, J Amos,	Blowing Rock, N. C.
Miller, M D	Triplett, "
Wheeler, D M	Bamboo, "
Wilcox, B F	Shulls Mills' "
Watson, G M	Darby, "

Licensed Ministers and P. O.

Brown, A M	Boone, N C
Miller, Thos	Stony Fork, "
Watson, G D	Stony Fork, "

PROCEEDINGS

Poplar Grove Baptist Church, Watauga Co., N. C.,
Tuesday, Sept. 11, 1923.

The Stony Fork Baptist Association met in its 62d annual session.

After singing Nearer My God to Thee, Edmond Greene led in prayer.

N. S. Hampton read Acts first chapter, 1—8 verses.

F. M. Huggins led in prayer.

N. S. Hampton preached the Annual Sermon from Matthew 28: 6-7. Text: Come see; Go tell.

B. F. Wilcox led in prayer.

Adjourned for one hour. A bountiful dinner was served.

AFTERNOON SESSION

After singing There is a Telephone to Heaven, D. M. Wheeler led in prayer.

Letters from 13 churches were handed in and referred to Com. on Digest of Letters.

The term of the present officers being expired, re-elected B. F. Wilcox Moderator and N. S. Hampton Clerk.

Read and adopted Order of Business.

Invited Correspondents and Visitors.

Walter M. Gilmore, Raleigh, N. C., representing Missions, was welcomed to a seat.

L C Wilson, Wm Elrod, D D Dougherty, F M Huggins, G W Beverly, Edmond Hodges, E M Greer and Smith Hagaman of Three Forks Association, accepted seats.

Joe Wilcox from Ashe asso. was welcomed to a seat.

The Moderator and Clerk called the roll of chairmen of committees and added the following:

State Missions—Walter M. Gilmore and L. C. Wilson.
Home Missions—W. M. Gilmore and F. M. Huggins.
Foreign Missions— Smith Hagaman and G. W. Beverly.
Education— D. D. Dougherty, Smith Hagaman, N. L. Harrison.
Orphanage—Merrit Coffey, Wesley Ashley, G W Brown.
Sunday Schools—Wm Elrod, Will Cook, Edmond Hodges.
Resolutions—E M Greer, May Cook and A M Brown.
Periodicals—W M Gilmore and Joe Wilcox.
Temperance—John Beshears, F M Huggins.
Pastoral Support—L C Wilson, Jacob Hayes, Lee Minton.
Obituaries—Henry Story, Wesley Ashley.
Woman's Work—Miss Minnie Day.
Place and Preacher—Jacob Hayes, H L Beshears.

Digest of Letters—J Amos Hampton and W T Land.

Correspondence—Joe Fox, Dewey Coffey, Cling Hodges.

Finance—H L Beshears, Finley Gragg, J Amos Hampton.

Nominations—N L Harrison, Will Cook, Will Anderson and Clingman Hodges.

Devotional Services—D M Wheeler with delegates of Poplar Grove Church.

Called for churches wishing to unite with this association.

B. F. Wilcox read report of Executive Committee. Spoken to by B. F. Wilcox, D. D. Dougherty and others and adopted.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

We the Executive Committee of the Stony Fork association, submit the following report:

1. We insist on all the evangelistic work possible being done in the bounds of our association.

2. We insist on all our churches sending a full delegation with with increased minute funds, and that the delegates stay through the association.

3. We insist that all members of our churches read and re-read the minutes of our association and take greater interest in our work generally.

4. We ask the association to appoint a committee to find a home for and arrange a program for Fifth Sunday meetings during t h e year.

5. We ask the Association to appoint an associational missionary to visit the destitute places of our association and report to our next association.

Respectfully, Rev. B. F. Wilcox, Rev. D. M. Wheeler, Z. T. Greene } Com

N. S. Hampton read the Treasurer's Report, which was adopted.

REPORT OF TREASURER

Received for Minute Fund from Finance Com.	$22.50
Public Collection,	4 90
Watauga Church,	2.00
Middle Cane Church,	1.00
Poplar Grove Church,	2.00
Total,	$32.40
75-Million,	36.25
Home Misstons,	2.35
Total received,	$71.00

DISBURSEMENTS

To Walters Durham,	$38.60
Printing Minutes,	24.25
Mailing,	1.40
Paid on Clerk's Salary,	6.91
Total,	$71.00

N. S. Hampton, Treas.

The Clerk read the Report on Temperance. Spoken to by F. M. Huggins, Walter Gilmore and others and adopted.

TEMPERANCE

We urge that churches of this association crusade against intemperance, first, by total abstainance. We can never create a public sentiment strong enough to suppress the dram shop and liquor traffic until God's people take hold of the temperance reform as a part of their religion.

The people who create the governing power have a duty to perform and we should exert our efforts and put forth our energies to hasten the dawn of that day when the sentiment which now sustains the drink traffic shall be replaced by a total abstainance.

We urge that this association put forth every effort to suppress this evil.

J. W. Harrison.

D. M. Wheeler read report on Devotional Services.

REPORT

Rev. Walter M. Gilmore to preach to night at 8 o'clock.

Devotional service tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock by W. D. Ashley.

T. C. Hodges, T M. Williams, W. R. Anderson, D. M. Wheeler, Committee.

Will Anderson assigned homes for delegates and visitors.

Adjourned. Prayer by D. M. Wheeler.

NIGHT SESSION

Rev. Walter M. Gilmore preached an able interesting sermon. Theme, High Cost of Loving.

SECOND DAY, SEPT. 12

After beautiful singing, D. M. Wheeler led in prayer.

Wesley Ashley read verses in 9th and 10 Psalms. Prayer led by N. S. Hampton.

Read and approved minutes of previous sessions.

Called the roll of delegates.

N. S. Hampton read reports on Digest of Letters and State of the

Churches. Adopted.

DIGEST of LETTERS and STATE of CHURCHES

Last year 12 churches report having pastors.

This year 13 churches report having pastors.

Last year one church reported twice-a-month preaching.

This year 13 churches report once a month preaching.

Last year 12 churches report for pastors salaries $599.19

This year 11 churches report for pastors salaries $761.97.

Last year 12 churches report gains by baptism 52. Total gain 74 with a loss of 69.

This year 13 churches report gains by baptism 38. Total gain 44, with a loss of 39.

Last year 7 churches gave to missions $274 09. This year five churches gave to missions $115.70. Two churches last year gave to Orphanage $72 40; this year 8 churches gave to Orphanage $131.70

Last year eleven churches report Sunday school enrollment 765; this year ten churches report Sunday school enrollment 807.

One Sunday school last year gave to missions $2.20; this year one S. S. gave to missions $96.24.

Two W.M.S reported last year; none reported this year.

Three Sunbeams reported last year; one reported this year.

Two B.Y.P.U. reported last year; one B.Y.P.U. report this year.

Three churches in the association have no house of worship.

N. S. Hampton, J. Amos Hampton, W. T. Land.

B. F. Wilcox read the Report on Periodicals. Spoken to by B.F. Wilcox, Walter Gilmore and others and adopted.

BOOKS & PERIODICALS

The Bible says: Where your tretsure is, there will your heart be also

The spiritually minded are seeking after light that they may develop and mature into something of value, and there is nothing in all the realm of knowledge so fitted to gratify this desire as the Bible. The Book (the Bible) should be our daily resort through life.

The Biblical Recorder, and Charity and Children furnish quite an abundance of rich thought which will fire our thoughts with more holy zeal for a deeper work of grace and spiritual uplift of the people in our own state.

Home and Foreign Fields is a great educator in regard to our general work and will keep us informed in regard to what our Baptist workers are doing at home and abroad. Every family should have these periodicals come into their homes. Covet earnestly the best gifts, a righteous craving for a righteous knowledge which will be

supplied by a righteous God most liberally.

All cheap literature, ficticious stories, should be denounced and discarded, for these things distract, bewilder and deceive, the venom of darkness spreading death and destruction to all who come in contact with it.

Submitted.

B. F. Wilcox
Walter M Gilmore } Com
Joe Wilcox

Reports on Missions were read as follows:

State Missions by J. Amos Hampton.

Home Missions by F. M. Huggins.

Foreign Missions by Smith Hagaman.

Consolidated the three reports. Ably spoken to by Walter Gilmore, D. M. Wheeler and others and adopted.

STATE MISSIONS

State Mission Work encludes the following departments:

Sunday Schools, B. Y. P. U., W. M. U , Education, Hospitals, Assisting and helping weak churches, Evangelism and enlistmennt.

In the past 3 years God through State Missions has done a great work. Can we afford to deny the Lord of our lives in service or our means? Realizing that there are yet greater things to be done in the progress of the mission work in the different departments of the State Mission field. We urge upon the pastors, deacons and Sunday school superintendents to impress the minds of their churches and pupils that State Missions is their first mission obligation and should be given their best attention and support.

We recommend that an offering be taken in each church and S. school in Stony Fork Association at least four times a year.

Respectfully submitted,

Walter M. Gilmore, L. C. Wilson.

HOME MISSIONS

The Home Mission Board is our organization for work among Southern Baptists.

When the Southern Baptist Convention met in Kansas City in 1905, they had received in cash for that year $169,988.92. When the Convention met there last May the Board had received $1,002,193. Then there were 20,570 additions, now 59,597.

The work is divided into the following departments: Church Extension; Evangelism and Enlistment, Work among Foreigners, Indians, and Negroes; Co-operative Missions; Mountain Schools; Soldiers and Seamen; Cuba and Panama and Publicity.

The blessings of God have been upon all these departments of our

work, and great things have been accomplished during the past Conventional year. It should also be said that there has never been a time when the Home Board faced greater opportunities. For two years the Board has retrenched its work, and there is a great debt on the Board now.

What are we going to do? If the work is worthy and God's blessings have been upon it, then we ought to stand by our Home Board in its great work.

How can we stand by our Home Mission Board? First by seeing that pledges are paid to the 75 Million Campaign. Second, by enlisting the 500,800 new members added to our new churches during the Campaign. Third, by larger gifts on the part of our present subscribers. We suggest also that pastors preach on our Home Mission work some time during the year, and a special collection be taken for the same.

F. M. Huggins, R. H. Tounsend.

FOREIGN MISSIONS

Foreign Missions is the department of Mission work which takes care of our work in China, Japan, Africa, South America and different Europerean countries.

Tae Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention reported last year about 500 missionaries on the foreign field with 1200 native helpers.

About 8000 were baptized, making a total membership of more than 70,000.

The Board also reports 700 Schools and colleges on the foreign fields with 27,000 pupils enrolled.

Last year more than 160,000 patients were treated in Christian hospitals on the foreign fields.

This wonderful growth of our foreign work in the last few years is very encouraging. Many of these countries are rapidly becoming Christian.

Are you having a part in it? Respectfully submitted,

Z. T. Greene, Smith Hagaman.

SECOND DAY, AFTER NOON SESSION

After a bountiful dinner, beautiful singing by Poplar Grove choir.

Prayer by G. W. Beverly.

Evangelist N. H. Camp was introduced by F. M. Huggins.

Evangelist Camp sang, "The Old Account was Settled Long Ago," and urged upon the ministers to preach the Word.

Smith Hagaman read report on Education. Spoken to by Smith Hagaman and adopted.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Christian school is one in which the Bible is exalted to a commanding place and is taught as a part of the curriculum; the teachers being Christian and making the atmosphere distinctively Christian and where effort is made to bring every non-Christian to accept Christ.

Southern Baptists have 119 such institutions, of which 35 are classed as senior Colleges, 56 High schools, others as Bible or Theological schools These schools enrolled last year about 35,000 students.

We have in our state, Wake Forest and Meredith Colleges doing higher Christian Education, also a number of Baptist High schools in the mountain section of the state.

From these schools numbers of preachers, teachers and Christian workers trained as leaders, go out into the different parts of the State every year. These are to be mighty forces in shaping public opinion, however, these cannot reach every section or do all the work by far. It is, therefore, that those who teach in our public schools shall not use their position as teachers to overthrow the faith of our young people in the great principles of the Christian religion.

Respectfully submitted.

N. L. Harrison, Ch'n., Smith Hagaman, D. M. Wheeler.

L. C. Wilson read the Report on Pastoral Support.

Spoken to by L. C. Wilson and W. M. Gilmore and adopted.

PASTORAL SUPPORT

To deny support to our pastors is to deny one of the fundamental and vital doctrines of the Bible. Paul declared that "They that they that preach the gospel should live of the gospel."

This is the ordained means of this support. This duty is laid at the door of every church and that duty can not be trifled with and ignored without doing violence to the cause of Christ.

Every member of that church assumes the best support possible when such church calls any preacher as their servant. A servant for Christ's sake. A servant for the salvation of a lost world.

A servant for the enlargement and uplift of that church which he serves.

And your committee would lay upon the hearts of this association the extreme necessity of a vital awakening among our people in the support of our pastors, and we would especially lay upon the minds and hearts of our deacons in every church to look well to the task that the Holy Spirit has laid upon them in reference to this important duty that we owe to ourselves and to the cause of Jesus Christ.

May there be such an awakening seize our people in reference to

this vital subject that a better day may soon come and God's name be glorified in the uplift of the churches of this association.

Respectfully.

L. C. Wilson
Jacob S. Hayes

Miss Minnie Day read report on Woman's Work. Spoken to by Miss Day and adopted.

WOMAN'S WORK

During Christ's stay here on earth bands of women ministered unto Him of their substance, Luke 8:1:3. Again in Paul's time women assembled in special places to engage in prayer and worship, Acts 16:13

If it was necessary in Bible times for women to organize for the purpose of promoting the cause of Christ with their prayers and substance, we believe that women should still organize to extend the cause.

We, therefore urge the pastors of the various churches to assist the associational superintendent in impressing upon the women their duty and privilege to carry out Christ's commission.

Ethel Day, Minnie Day, Com.

Merrit Coffey read report on Orphanage. Spoken to by G. W. Brown and adopted.

ORPHANAGE

We your committee report as follows:

It is a command of the Lord Jesus to visit the widow and orphan in their afflictions.

The Baptist orphanage at Thomasville is one of the greatest institutions in our state.

We should look well to our duties to help support those 600 or more orphan children.

We insist that our churches take a public collectiion at least four times a year to help support the orphan children. Ask God to direct this work and work, according to His commands.

Respectfully submitted,

Merritt Coffey, W. D. Ashley, G. W. Brown.

H. L. Beshears read report on Sunday schools. Spoken to by N. S. Hampton, N. L. Harrison, E. M. Greer, and adopted

SUNDAY SCHOOLS

The Sunday-school is not a separate institution but a part of the church. We believe it to be one of the most important factors of the church. We urge an evergreen Sunday-school. A large majority of our people, who are saved, are those who have attended Sunday-school. There should be a coming together every Sabbath that the

soul might be fed: For as new born babes desire the sincere milk of the Word, that we may grow thereby. The pastor and church that look well to their Sunday school, are looking well to their church and do not have any cause of which to be ashamed.

What should we study in Sunday school? We should give more earnest heed to the study of the Bible, though helps are needed, and our Sunday school literature is good to help us to understand the Scripture.

Only Christian teachers and officers should occupy the responsible places in this service. There should be more earnest prayer on the part of the church for the Sunday school officers and teachers. The aim of all should be to turn the lost to Christ.

Respectfully. H. L. Beshears, E. C. Hodges.

Merrit Coffey read Report on Place and Preacher.

PLACE AND PREACHER

We the Committee on Place and Preacher submit the following:

We ask for the Association to convene with Boone's Fork Church at the next regular session which is on Tuesday after the second Sunday in Sept. 1924. Rev. W. D. Ashley to preach the annual sermon; Rev. B. F. Wilcox, alternate. Respectfully,

Merritt Coffey, Jacob S. Hayes, H. L. Beshears.

E. M. Greer read Report on Resolutions. Adopted.

RESOLUTIONS

1. Resolved, That this association and visiting brethren tender thanks to members and community of Poplar Grove Church for their kindness and hospitality in entertaining this association so tenderly and Christ-like.

2. That we advise the reading and study of God's Word and the regular attendance of parents with their children at Sunday school, and advise all efforts reasonably possible against intemperance.

E. M. Greer, T. M. Cook, A. M. Brown, Com.

REPORT ON FINANCE

Received and turned over to Treasurer:

Orphanage,	$ 2.65
75 Million,	52.25
Associational Expenses,	5.19
Minute Funds,	28.92
Total,	$89.01

Allowed the Clerk for services $15.00.

J. Amos Hampton, W. F. Gragg, H. L. Beshears, Com.

REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE

The Committee an Correspondence beg to submit the following report, That we ask the following brethren to represent us in the sister associations:

Three Forks: B. F. Wilcox.

Ashe: H. L. Beshears.

Caldwell: Rev. Oscar Dillinger.

Avery Co: J. Amos Hampton.

Brushy Mtn.: Rev. D. M. Wheeler.

We urge that the above named Repts. be sure and attend the above named assoliations.

T. C. Hodges, Joe Fox, Dewey Coffey.

Committees for Session 1924.

The various Committees are requested to have their reports ready and present on the first day of the next Association.

STANDING COMMITTEES

Order of Business— Moderator and Clerk.
State Missions— D. M. Wheeler.
Home Missions— Miss Minnie Day.
Foreign Missions— B F Wilcox.
Christian Education— N L Harrison.
Orphanage— % T Greene.
Sunday Schools— J Amos Hampton.
Resolutions— T C Hodges.
Periodicals— H L Beshears.
Pastoral Support— J W Harrison.
Temperance— Wesley Ashley.
Obituaries— N S Hampton.
Woman's Work— Miss Ethel Day.
Place and Preacher— J S Hayes.
Correspondance— Merritt Coffey.
Digest of Letters and State of Churches— Blain Coffey and Clerk.

Roll of Delegates

Boone's Fork: Merritt Coffey, Earl Coffey, W F Gragg, W G Coffey.
Doe Ridge: A M Brown, G W Brown, John Hodges.
Elk: W T Land.
Laurel Fork: H M Storie.
Mt. Vernon: Miss Minnie Day, Willie Cook, T M Cook, C M Critcher, N L Harrison.
Mt. Ephraim: J S Hayes.
Mt. Paron: G D Watson, T M Watson. [Continued next page.]

Hopkins Chapel: No Delegate.
Middle Cane: Lee Minton, Wash Hodges.
New Hopewell: Dewey Coffey.
Poplar Grove: P M Winkler, T C Hodges, W R Anderson.
Rock Springs: No Delegate.
Watauga: Joe Fox, R H Townsend, W M Hodges.
Yellow Hill: H L Besheais, John Beshears.

REPORT ON OBITUARIES

The Minutes of the various churches show the death of fifteen of their members within the past year.

Resolved, That we, as a committee, in behalf of the association, offer our sympathy to each bereft family and commend them to the Lord in time of trouble, as death breaks the human tie and claims our Christian friends. Let us be submissive, it is only God's will to take His children home to rest among the blest.

We recommend that the obituary of Thomas L. Day be printed in our Minutes.

N. S. Hampton, Ch'n., W. D. Ashley, H. M. Storie.

OBITUARY OF THOMAS L. DAY.

In Caldwell County, on December 15, 1852, Thomas L. Day was born, and when 3 years of age, he came with his parents to Watauga county. When 17 he joined Mt. Vernon Baptist church, and in 1872 was made Clerk and Deacon.

On Jan. 10, 1875, Mr. Day and Miss Bettie Harrison were married and unto this union were 14 children, all of whom have joined Mt. Vernon church. Brother Day was, in a true sense, a devoted husband and father and certainly no finer family than his ever lived in our midst. Brother Day was a "farmer" of the best type, an efficient school teacher, and Sunday-school Supt., Moderator of the Stony Fork Association, also served 6 years as one of Board of County Commissioners.

On July 17, 1923, brother Day passed to his reward, having lived 70 years 7 months and 2 days. In his death we not only lost a good neighbor, loyal citizen and Christian man; but we believe as human no better neighbor or more loyal citizen ever lived. As a Christian, he was a "Model" of "models", and he sure did stand for the "Faith once delivered to the Saints," besides he was a "Leader," especially in advancing the "Missionary Spirit" and Christian ideal. Christianity was always the basis of his conversation. Christian Education and Christian living seemed to be his highest "Ideals."

Never did Bro. Day hesitate to show where his heart rested and where his faith lay. His attitude and testimony in church always

showed that he stood for fair dealing and Christian living, and to be willing to give more for the cause of religion and church work than he did for amusement and luxury. This attitude and these deeds of Bro. Day have stirred the hearts of our people and this church to such an extent as to erect a living monument to his name. These monuments erected by noble thoughts and high "Ideals," are imperishable and shall live from age to age.

We believe it ought to be the highest "Ideal" of the human mind to utter a thought or advance an idea that will live through all coming time.

To Bro. Day's family and friends in their bereavement, this church and people wishes to lend all the sympathy possible.

Respectfully submitted,

C. M. Critcher, N. L. Harrison, W. G. Todd, Com.

Report on Nominations read by N. L. Harrison and adopted. See first page.

Counted vote of the churches on the Resolution submitted last year to disolve the association in to a Watauga Association.

Resolution failed to carry.

Appointed Merritt Coffey, J. Amos Hampton, Clingman Hodges to plan and announce Fifth Sunday Meeting in this association.

Elected Rev. D. M. Wheeler Associational Missionary, and report work done to next association.

After some appropriate remarks by the Clerk, sang Good bye Blessing. A good session.

Prayer by G. W. Brown.

B. F. WILCOX, Moderator.

N. S. HAMPTON, Clerk.

Manuscript delayed in being sent to printer on account of sickness of the Clerk's son.

TABLE I.—STATISTICAL

CHURCH	PASTOR AND P. O.	CLERK AND P. O.	Time of Preaching	Value Church Property	Received by Baptism	By Letter	Restored	Lost by Letter	Excluded	By Death	Total Membership
Boones Fork	J. A. Hampton Blowing Rock	Merritt Coffey Shulls Mills	4	500	..	1	..	..	..	..	96
Doe Ridge	W. A. Pennell Zionville	Alice A. Brown, Boone			1			3		1	25
Elk	G M Watson Darby	F L Dula Ferguson	3					1			33
Hopkins Chapel	Oscar Dellinger Linville	D L Chester Edgemont	3		7				1		24
Laurel Fork	D M Wheeler Bamboo	J G Storie Blowing Rock	3	1500	9	1		2		1	116
Mt. Vernon	G W Sabastian N. Wilkesboro	G F Critcher Boone	1	2000	1			2	3	1	262
Mt Ephraim	Levi Green Hopkins	J S Hayes Triplett	2	1000	11	1		1	1	2	164
Mt. Paron	T S Robbins Buffalo Cove	G D Watson Stony Fork	1	300	1	2				1	29
Middle Cane	W N Church Summit	Wash Hodges Triplett	3	450	3			3	1		35
New Hopewell	L L Nichols Finley	David Coffey Gragg	4		7		2	3	2		100
Poplar Grove	L A Wilson Zionville	W R Anderson, Vilas	1	3100	6			1	2	1	149
Rock Springs	G M Watson Darby, N C	J T Woods Darby, N C	1	1000				4			70
Watauga	N S Hampton Pineola N C	R H Townsend Banner Elk	3	2500		1				4	124
Yellow Hill	Letter returned to church for statistics. Not returned to clk. of association.										

CHURCH TREASURERS & P. O.

Boones Fork—Merritt Coffey, Shulls Mills, N. C.
Laurel Fork—J. G. Storie, Blowing Rock.
Mt. Vernon—T M Cook, Blowing Rock.
Mt. Ephraim—C C Triplett, Triplett.
New Hopewell—David Coffey, Gragg.
Rock Springs—R F Woods, Darby.
Watauga—L M Hodges, Banner Elk.

TABLE II.--FINANCIAL

CHURCHES	Pastor's Salary	Ministerial Help	Building & Repairs	Incidentals	S S & B Y P U Exp.	The Poor	Minute Fund	Other Objects	HOME TOTAL	75 Million (Undes.)	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	Orphanage	Other Benevolence	Denominational Tot'l	GRAND TOTAL
Boones Fork	37.57	8.89	.....	.....	4.63	.....	2.00	3.25	56.34	.....	.....	.....	7.02	.....	7.02	65.36
Doe Ridge							1.00		1.00				2.65			3.65
Elk	25.00						1.00		25.50			.50			50	26.50
Hopkins Chapel	39.43						.30		39.73							39.73
Laurel Fork	53.95		1200.00		6.25		1.75		1261.95				3.05		3.05	1265.00
Mt. Vernon	231.00		342.55	47.50	39.84	23.64	9 27		693.70	32.87	7.51		110.00	14.10	164.48	858.18
Mt. Ephraim	106.50	23.35		2.68	7.04	26.48	2.25		168.30				10.90		10.90	179.20
Mt. Paron	18.55						1.15		19 70							19 70
Middle Cane	20.00		150.00		1.00		1.00		172.00							172 00
New Hopewell	31.95				5.92		1.05	.50	39 37	50			1.80		2.30	41 67
Poplar Grove	95.05	36.86	54.65		35.50		2.45		226 51	48 92	1 50		3 00	2 05	55 47	281 98
Rock Springs	23.05						1.00		24 05							24 05
Watauga	120.00	10.00	84.30	5.40	18.23	6.15	3.00		247 08	34 00			3 28	12 00	49 28	296 36
Yellow Hill	No statistics reported.						2 00									

Association expenses by Mt. Vernon C. 5.19.

TABLE III.—SUNDAY SCHOOLS

CHURCH	SUPT. & P. O.	SECRETARY & P. O.	Officers and Teachers	Beginners 1 to 5	Primary 6 to 8	Junior 9 to 12	Intermediate 13 to 16	Senior Adult 17 and up	TOTAL	No. Normal Diplomas	Bap isms from School	Home Expen.	Orphanage and Missions	Total Contributions
Boones Fork	W. G. Coffey, Shulls Mills	Earl Coffey, Shulls Mills	6	10	....	12	....	25	53	..	..	4.63	....	4.63
Doe Ridge	No school reported.													
Elk	No school reported.													
Hopkins Chapel	No school reported.													
Laurel Fork	J M Storie, Blowing Rock	Macy Holder, B. Rock	5						50			6.25		6.25
Mt. Vernon	W J Cook, Boone	W G Todd, Bamboo	12	29	21	41	24	70	197	5		39.84	96.24	164.50
Mt. Ephraim	C C Triplett, Triplett	Effie E Hayes, Triplett	6						90			7.04		7.04
Mt. Paron	G D Watson, Stoney Fork	J L Miller, Stony Fork	4						20			1.50		1.50
Middle Cane	W L Broyhill, Triplett	G W Carroll, Triplett	4						42			1.00		1.00
New Hopewell	L E Gragg, Gragg	Jennie Coffey, Gragg	5		8	9	8	8	38	7		5.92		5.92
Poplar Grove	P M Williams, Shulls Mills	P M Winkler, Shulls Mills	8	19		17		38	82		4	35.50		35.50
Rock Springs	No school reported.													
Watauga	L M Hodges, Banner Elk	A D Townsend, Banner Elk	8		24	42	24	14	122	1		18.23		18.23
Yellow Hill	Has a Sunday school but no report.	No Standard nor Graded Schools.												

MINUTES

OF THE

63rd ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

Stony Fork Baptist Association

HELD WITH

BOONE'S FORK BAPTIST CHURCH

WATAUGA COUNTY, N. C.,

September 16-17, 1924.

ELDER B. F. WILCOX, Moderator, Shulls Mills, N. C.
ELDER J. AMOS HAMPTON, Clerk & Treas.,
Blowing Rock, N. C.

The 64th Annual Session of the Stony Fork Baptist Association will convene with Mt. Ephraim Baptist Church, 9 miles east of Boone, commencing on Tuesday 10 a. m. after the second Sunday in September 1925.

Annual Sermon by Eld. J. Amos Hampton;
Eld. W. D. Ashley, Alt.

Will H. McGuire, Printer, Brookside, N. C.

MINUTES

of the

STONY FORK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Officers:

ELD. B. F. WILCOX, Moderator, - Shulls Mills, N. C.
ELD. J. AMOS HAMPTON, Clerk & Treas., Blowing Rock, "

ASSOCIATIONAL MISSION BOARD:

B. F. Wilcox, Moderator,	Shulls Mills,	N. C.
Z. T. Green, Secretary,	Shulls Mills,	N. C.
D. M. Wheeler, Pastor,	Bamboo,	"
D. M. Coffey, Layman Worker,	Shulls Mills,	"
Miss Minnie Day, Woman's Work,	Blowing Rock,	"
J. Amos Hampton, B.Y.P.U. Worker,	"	"
L. M. Hodges, S. S. Worker,	Banner Elk,	"
Mrs. Z. T. Green,	Shulls Mills,	"
W. D. Cook,	Blowing Rock,	"
R. H. Townsend,	Banner Elk,	"
H. L. Beshears,	Summit,	"

To Baptist State Convention: R H Townsend, Banner Elk, N.C.
To Southern Baptist Convention: W D Ashley, B. Rock, "
Eld D M Wheeler, Bamboo, N L Harrison, Blowing Rock, "
Member State Mission Board: Z T Green, Shulls Mills, "

Ordained Ministers and P. O.

Ashley, W. D.	Blowing Rock,	N. C.
Brown, G W	Boone,	"
Brown, A M	Boone,	"
Church, W N	Summit,	"
Church, J W	Summit,	"
Dellenger, Oscar,	Linville,	"
Greer R G	Fleetwood,	"
Hampton, J Amos,	Blowing Rock,	"
Miller, M D,	Triplett,	"
Wheeler, D M,	Bamboo,	"
Wilcox, B F,	Shulls Mills,	"
Watson, G M,	Darby,	"

Licensed Ministers and P. O.

Coffey, Ivy W,	Gragg,	"

FIFTH SUNDAY MEETING WORKERS

J. Amos Hampton, Merritt Coffey, B. F. Wilcox.

CORRESPONDENTS TO ASSOCIATIONS

To Three Forks— B. F. Wilcox.
To Caldwell— W. D. Ashley.
To Ashe— H. L. Beshears.
To Avery County— J. Amos Hampton.
To Brushy Mountain— D. M. Wheeler.

We urge that each one make an honest effort to fill the mission to which he is appointed.

Standing Committees for Session 1925.

The various Committees are requested to have their reports ready and present on the first day of the next session.

Order of Business— Moderator and Clerk.

State Missions— Z. T. Greene,	Shulls Mills,	N.C.
Home Missions— Mrs. Z. T. Greene,	Shulls Mills,	"
Foreign Missions— N L Harrison,	Blowing Rock,	"
Christian Education— B F Wilcox,	Shulls Mills,	"
Orphanage— Miss Ethel Day,	Blowing Rock,	"
Sunday Schools— L M Hodges,	Banner Elk,	"
Resolutions— H G Cook,	Boone,	"
Periodicals— T C Hodges,	Hodges Gap,	"
Pastoral Support— W G Todd,	Bamboo,	"
Obituaries— H M Storie,	Blowing Rock,	"
Woman's Work— Miss Minnie Day,	Blowing Rock,	"
Place and Preacher— W D Cook,	Blowing Rock,	"
Nominations— Merritt Coffey,	Shulls Mills,	"
Digest of Letters & State of Churches— Joe Wheeler & Clerk.		
Hospitals— H L Beshears,	Summit,	"
B Y P U— Roy I Haynes,	Shulls Mills	"
Finance— L T Elrod,	Boone,	"

P-R-O-C-E-E-D-I-N-G-S

Boone's Fork Baptist Church, Watauga Co., N. C.,
Tuesday, Sept. 16th, 1924.

THE Stony Fork Missionary Baptist Association met in its 63d annual session.

Rev. B. F. Wilcox read the 65th Psalm. Prayer by G. W. Brown.

Rev. W. D. Ashley read Acts 12: 1-19, James 5: 13-20.

Prayer by D. M. Wheeler.

Rev. W.D.Ashley preached the Annual Sermon from James 5:16. Theme: effectual, fervent prayer. Song by the choir.

Adjourned for one hour.

AFTERNOON SESSION, 1:15

The choir sang, "When I Die I'll Live Again." Prayer by F. M. Huggins.

Read and approved report on Order of Business.

Letters from 10 churches were handed in and referred to Com. on Digest of Letters.

Time of present officers being expired, on motion by D. M. Wheeler went into an election by private ballot of Moderator and Clerk. Revs. A. C. Hamby, F. M. Huggins, ann J. W. P. Hill took the vote, resulted in the election of B. F. Wilcox Mod., and J. Amos Hampton Clerk.

Invited correspondents and visitors. F. M. Huggins, G.W.Robbins, W. A. Pennell from Three Forks Association; J. H. Wilcox from Ashe Association; J. W. P. Hill and N. S. Hampton from the Avery Co. Asso., and A. C. Hamby, representing the State Mission Board, were welcomed to seats.

Invited churches wishing to unite with us. Rock View church presented application for membership. Referred to a committee.

On a favorable report of the committee, the church was cordially received.

The following Committees were appointed:

State Missions-- D. M. Wheeler, A. C. Hamby.
Home Missions — Miss Minnie Day, F M Huggins.
Foreign Missions — B F Wilcox, J W P Hill.
Christian Education— N L Harrison, A C Hamby.
Orphanage— Z T Green, G W Robbins.
Sunday Schools— J Amos Hampton, N S Hampton.
Resolutions— N L Harrison, J P Cook.
Periodicals— H L Beshears, J W P Hill.
Pastoral Support— N S Hampton, J H Wilcox.
Temperance— W D Ashley, A M Brown.
Obituaries— N S Hampton, John Beshears.
Woman's Work— Miss Minnie Day, Mrs Merritt Coffey.
Finance— Merritt Coffey, Z T Green, H L Beshears.
Place and Preacher— J M Coffey, J S Hayes, J W Hendrix.
Nominations— Z T Green, Merritt Coffey, H L Beshears.
Hospitals— A C Hamby, F M Huggins.
Digest of Letters & State of Churches— N S Hampton and Clerk.

Report on Periodicals was read by H. L. Beshears, spoken to by J. W. P. Hill A. C. Hamby and adopted.

BOOKS and PERIODICALS

The Bible says: Where your treasure is, there will your heart be also. The spiritually minded are seeking after light that they may develop and mature into something of value, and there is nothing in all the realm of knowledge so fitted to gratify this desire as the Bible. The Book (the Bible) should be our daily resort through life.

The Biblical Recorder, Charity and Children furnish quite an abundance of rich thought which will fire our thoughts with more holy zeal for a deeper work of grace and spiritual uplift of the people in our own state.

Home and Foreign Fields is a great educator in regard to our general work and will keep us informed in regard to what our Baptist workers are doing at home and abroad. Every family should have these periodicals come into their homes. Covet earnestly the best gifts, a righteous craving for a righteous knowledge which will be supplied by a righteous God most liberally.

All cheap literature, fictitious stories, should be denounced and discarded, for these things distract, bewilder and deceive, the venom of darkness spreading death and destruction to all who come in contact with it. H. L. Beshears, J. W. P. Hill, Com.

Report on Education consolidated with discussions on Missions.

Report on Hospitals was read by F. M. Huggins. Spoken to by F. M. Huggins, A. C. Hamby and N. S. Hampton and adopted.

HOSPITAL

The North Carolina Baptist Hospital begins its second year of ministry under most favorable conditions. 1400 patients were treated, among them nearly 200 charity patients. Not all the patients who came were cured, but a very high per cent. were cured or helped. The second year has opened with the hospital full of patients so far as it is opened. They have 85 beds. The fifth floor is still used by graduate nurses. They are expecting to increase the number of patients this year fifty percent.

The second class of pupil nurses has been organized and are at work. They now have 22 pupil nurses. The girls are all Christian and are willing, courteous, pleasant and earnest.

Needs:

The hospital has many needs. It needs money to carry on this charity work. Mothers' Day Offering brought in about $10,000, but this did not pay for supplies and expense of opening. This forced them to borrow money for charity work.

It costs about $750 per month to pay for the charity work. It is urged that the Sunday-schools take collections to meet this need.

A nurses Home is needed. The hospital is deprived of 18 of its best beds on the fifth floor which is used by the nurses.

Radium is needed. There are many malignant diseases as cancer which cannot be cured with out radium. This would cost $10,000.

Let our folks learn all they can about our hospital, patronize it, and if any have not the money to pay their way the service of the hospital is free to them. Also take collections on Mother's Day and in the Sunday-schools.

A. C. Hamby, F. M. Huggins, Com.

Report on Orphanage was read by G. W. Robbins, spoken to by G. W. Robbins, F. M. Huggins and adopted.

ORPHANAGE

The Orphanage is the one vital living department of our denominational work that keeps us in constant touch with the crying needs of our dependent children.

For 30 years this work has been growing until we are now caring for 550 children at Thomasville and the Kennedy Home and 312 out in the state with their own mothers.

The current fund necessary to maintain the Orphanage is around $175,000.co the year not including buildings and improvements. The contributions of one Sunday in each month from the Sunday-school and a great Thanksgiving offering equal to one DAY'S INCOME has become the main source of supply. The marvelous way in which the Lord has blessed this big home is a loud call for our continued loyalty. The denomination from mountain to sea has been wonderfully strengthened by the reflex influence of their generous giving to the Orphanage.

The helpless childhood of our state lays upon us the obligation to widen our work and to reach out the hands of help to those who are without a penny, a home, or a friend. And there are hundreds of children in North Carolina utterly destitute who are as worthy and as promising as those who are already enjoying the blessing and protection of the Orphanage. So the task ever widens and we are therefore asking the Sunday-schools and churches of this associations to continue to make larger investmeuts in the Orphanage.

Z. T. Greene, G. W. Robbins.

On motion of D. M. Wheeler empowering the Mod. and Clerk to make all temporary appointments on devotional exercises during this session.

Sept. 17, 9 a. m., devotional service by M. D. Miller.

10:30 a. m., sermon on missions by A. C. Hamby.

Adjourned. Prayer by A. C. Hamby.

SECOND DAY, Sept. 17th.

Sang "How Firm a Foundation." M. D. Miller read Rev. 22:1—20 and led in prayer.

Read and approved minutes of previous session.

Called the roll of delegates.

The following reports were read as follows:

Christian Education by A. C. Hamby.

State Missions by D. M. Wheeler.

Home Missions by Miss Minnie Day.

Foreign Missions by B. F. Wilcox.

Digest of Letters by N. S. Hampton.

House called to prayer led by N. S. Hampton.

Consolidated said five reports. An able sermon by Rev. A. C. Hamby touching the five reports, and spoken to by F. M. Huggins, J. W. P. Hill, B. F. Wilcox, N. S. Hampton, Miss Minnie Day and adopted.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

The state of North Carolina has a great school system but the state does not teach religion or the Bible. Nearly all of our Baptist churches have Sunday-school, but in them only about 30 minutes once a week is given to study of the Scriptures. In our homes very little time is given to religious matters, so, if our young people are to get real training in religion and Bible study it must be done in some other way.

This is provided in our Baptist schools. In them the students are required to take courses in the Bible, and, in some of the schools, Baptist beliefs and practice. In all of them the young people are organized and do practical Christian work. There are good Baptist churches connected with these schools in which the students work and are trained in best methods. Able, consecrated pastors are there to help and advise these students. The teachers are faithful members of Baptist churches.

The spiritual side of the student life is carefully guarded and nourished. Once, and often twice, during each school year a revival is held in which the teachers and Christian student seek to win any students who are not saved. Rarely does a boy or girl go through one of our schools without being converted.

It is while students that most of the young men and women hear God's call to become preachers, missionaries and denominational workers.

The state levies a tax on her citizens for the support of her schools but Baptists cannot do that. We have to depend on the freewill offerings of our people for money to run our schools.

Of the 544 missionaries on foreign fields, more than 90 per cent were trained in our own schools. Fully as large a percent of our preachers and leaders in the home land who are educated, got their education in Baptist schools.

In this day of education and sharp denominational competition, we must keep our schools going or we shall lose our place of leadership among the denominations, and that will mean the loss of the Baptist message to the world and that would be a calamity as we see it.

Let us send our boys and girls to our Baptist high schools and colleges, and support the schools with our gifts

N. L. Harrison, A. C. Hamby,
Committee.

STATE MISSIONS

State Mission work includes the following departments:

Sunday-schools, B.Y.P.U., W.M.U., Education, Hospital, Assisting weak churches, Evangelism and Enlistment.

In the past 4 years God through State Missions, has done a great work. Can we afford to deny the Lord of our lives in His service or our means, realizing that there are yet greater things to be done in the progress of the mission work in the different departments of the state mission field?

We urge the pastors, deacons and Sunday-school superintendents to impress the minds of the churches and pupils, that state missions is their first obligation and should be given their best attention and support.

We recommend that an offering be taken in each church and Sunday-school in Stony Fork Association at least four times a year.

Respectfully, D. M. Wheeler.

HOME MISSIONS

The Home Mission Board is doing a great work in endeavoring to make our south land Christian, and firmly establishing the Baptist cause every where.

Among its activities are Building and Loan by which it has aided in erecting and repairing hundreds of weak churches.

Mountain mission schools where over 5000 pupils are receiving training under the religious influences of our denomination.

The Baptist Hospital at Winston-Salem where our sick may receive the proper physical care under the supervision of men and women who care for their souls as well.

The Christianizing of the negroes and indians of our own land, also sending workers to Cuba and Panama.

Sending Evangelists throughout the territory and enlisting men and women for definite Christian service.

Let us urge our people to share in this great movement as the spirit may enjoin upon them to do.

Respectfully submitted,

Minnie Day, F. M. Huggins.

FOREIGN MISSIONS

Missions is of great moment to God and angels by the disobedience of our earthly parentage sin entered. God is holy so there is a dissolution between God and man, the workmanship of His own hands.

God's infinate love and compassion did not leave us to our fate, but sent His only begotten son to pay the price of our redemption which a great number of the angelic hosts sang, glory to God in the highest, peace on earth, good will toward men. Christ died in our stead and for sin condemned sin in the flesh.

Repentance and faith are the requirements to be met by all men.

"The wicked and the ungodly will be turned into hell and all the nations that forget God."

We earnestly crave and pray for a combined effort on the part of our great Baptist host to tell of Jesus and His love to all the world.

Jesus told his disciples to follow Him and he would make them fishers of men. This is coming true in these last days, over one hundred per cent gain in baptisms and churches established in the last few years.

The 75 Million is the greatest undertaking in all Southern Baptist history. It has met with God's hearty approval in the salvation of many thousands of souls. By supporting Missions we lose nothing but gain every thing, enrich our lives, expand our vision and deepen capacities to drink from the great ocean of God.

B. F. Wilcox, J. W. P. Hill, Com.

STATE of the CHURCHES and DIGEST of LETTERS

Last year 11 churches report for Pastors' Salaries,	$761.97
This year 10 churches report for Pastors' Salaries,	733.10
Last year 13 churches reported gains by Baptism,	38
Total gain 44 with a loss of 39.	
This year 10 churches report gains by Baptism,	80
Total gain 110 with a loss of 78.	
Last year 5 churches gave to Missions,	$115.70
This year 2 churches gave to Missions,	$119.85

Last year 8 churches gave to Orphanage,	$131.70
This year 5 churches gave to Orphanage,	$188.25
Last year 10 Sunday schools total enrollment,	807
This year 9 Sunday schools total enrollment,	779
All churches gave to missions year 1919,	$ 49.18
All churches gave to missions year 1924,	$119.85
All churches gave to Orphanage year 1919,	$ 61.00
All churches gave to Orphanage year 1924,	$190.34

Respectfully submitted, N. S. Hampton, J. Amos Hampton.

Adjourned for one hour.

SECOND DAY, AFTERNOON SESSION

Song by choir. A. M. Brown led in prayer.

Report on Woman's Work was read by Miss Minnie Day. Spoken to by Miss Minnie Day and F. M. Huggins and adopted.

WOMAN'S WORK

There are over 2000 Missionary Societies in our State, which together contributed over $300,000 last year to to the mission causes, and over $1,000,000 in the last four years.

The purpose of the Union is to inform ourselves of the needs, and through our means and our prayers to extend the mission cause (beginning at home) to the ends of the earth.

The women of the various churches of this association are urged to organize and help in this great movement, for how much more can be accomplished when we work in union.

Minnie Day, Mrs. Merritt Coffey.

Report on Sunday Schools was read by J. Amos Hampton, and spoken to by him and J. W. P. Hill and adopted.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS

Our Lord Jesus was known, not as a great preacher, but as the greatest teacher. He emphasized teaching. Paul said in II. Tim. 2: 2, And the things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men who shall be able to teach others also. The minister who can so train, direct, develop and instruct his members to be real teachers themselves, will never fail as a pastor. If a band of Christians are taught the Word, that band of Christians will make a success in church affairs, and in other matters as well. Joshua 1 : 8 says so very plainly.

The evangelist finds the people that are taught in Sunday schools to be the ones to accept Christ as Savior. The pastor finds the members of his church that attend Sunday school to be the ones he can

depend upon in the great undertakings of the church. They are the ones whose lives are such as the Lord can use. They are John 15: 3: Now ye are clean through the word which I have spoken unto you. Eph. 5:26: That he might sanctify and cleanse it by the wash ing of water by the word. A great many do not study the Word except Sunday morning at Sunday school. It is very important. It is essential to a clean life. If we would claim the promise we must teach them to obey the commandments recorded in Matt. 28:19-20.

J. Amos Hampton, N. S. Hampton.

Report on Pastoral Support was read by N. S. Hampton. Spoken to by him and J. W. P. Hill and adopted.

PASTORAL SUPPORT

To deny support to our pastors is to deny one of the fundimental and vital doctrines of the Bible. Paul declared that "they that preach the gospel shall live of the gospel."

This duty is commanded to each member to give as the Lord has prospered him. We as church members hold the keynote to pastors success or failure.

Pastors are God's chosen ones to lead the church and teach them. To be able to do so he must study.

A failure to give the pastor an ample support cripples, hinders and discredits the church and pastors.

We find that the pastors in our association are pooly paid, and we urge upon each member to give and increase the pastor's salary.

N. S. Hampton, J. H. Wilcoxen.

Report on Finance was read by Z. T. Green and adopted.

FINANCE REPORT

Received for Minute Funds,	$33.06
From Doe Ridge church for Orphanage,	1.00
From Elk church for Home Missions,	.25
From Poplar Grove church for 75 Million,	30.35
Total,	$64.66

Z. T. Green, H. L. Beshears, Com.

Report on Place and Preacher was read by Merritt Coffey and adopted.

PLACE AND PREACHER

We ask for the 64th annual session of the Stony Fork association to convene with Mt. Ephraim Baptist Church on Tuesday after the second Sunday in Sept. 1925; Elder J. Amos Hampton to preach the Annual Sermon, Elder W. D. Ashley, alternate.

Merritt Coffey, J. S. Hayes, J. W. Hendrix.

Treasurer's Report was read by N. S. Hampton and adopted.

REPORT of TREASURER

Received for Minute Funds,		$29.22
"	75 Million,	52.25
"	Orphanage,	2.65
"	Association Expenses,	5.19
	Total,	$89.31

DISBURSEMENTS

To Walters Durham,	$52.25
To Orphanage,	2.65
Printing and Mailing Minutes,	27.00
Paid on Clerk's Salary,	7.41
Total,	$89.31

N. S. Hampton, Treas.

D. M. Wheeler read his report as Associational Missionary. Spoken to by him and adopted.

REPORT of MISSIONARY

I have preached at weak churches and destitute places, 21 sermons, and held 32 devotional services. Resulted in 13 conversions. Received for services $27.50.

Elk church has no church building, and have pledged anc: about $250.00 on a church building. They should be encouraged by the association and helped to build.

D. M. Wheeler, Asso. Missionary.

On motion by N. L. Harrison, Rev. D. M. Wheeler was reappointed Associational Missionary.

Report on Resolutions was read by N. L. Harrison and adopted by a rising vote.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolved, That this association tender its thanks in a bountiful way to the people of this church for their hospitality in serving dinners and in many other ways to the delegates and visitors.

We earnestly pray that God will bless the parents of Boones Fork Church in keeping their children in Sunday school and in reading God's Word to them. Respectfully submitted.

J. P. Cook, N. L. Harrison, Com.

Report on Obituaries was read by N. S. Hampton and adopted.

REPORT on OBITUARIES

The Minutes of the various churches show the death of 9 of their members during the past year. Our beloved Brother and Deacon, W. H. Harrison, after a long, useful and devoted life to his church

and community, calmly passed, as we trust, through the shadows of death to that rest that remaineth to the people of God.

As Bro. Harrison's body moulders under the cold clods a memory of his life becomes to us that he has gone up the highway and anchored in the land of fadeless glory.

Resolved, That we in behalf of the association offer our sympathy to each bereft one and commend them to the Lord in time of trouble as death breaks the human tie and claims our Christian friends. Let us be submissive, it is only God's will to take them from a world of sorrow to a rest for the blest.

N. S. Hampton, John Beshears.

TEMPERANCE

King Solomon says in Prov. 20: 1: "Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging: and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise."

He says in Prov. 23: 29—32: "Who hath woe? who hath sorrow? who hath contentions? who hath babbling? who hath wounds without cause? who hath redness of eyes? They that tarry long at the wine; they that go to seek mixed wine. Look not thou upon the wine when it is red, when it giveth his colour in the cup, when it moveth itself aright. At the last it biteth like a serpent, and stingeth like an adder."

We urge that our churches in this association stand firm against strong drink, that our membership fall not into temptation and the snare of tne devil.

W. D. Ashley, A. M. Brown.

Roll of Delegates

Boones Fork—Merritt Coffey, C. E. Coffey.
Doe Ridge—A. M. Brown.
Elk—No delegate.
Laurel Fork—No delegate.
Hopkins Chapel—No delegate.
Mt. Ephraim—J. S. Hayes, C. C. Triplett, J. P. Cook.
Mt. Paran—No delegate.
Middle Cane—John Hendrix, John Hodges.
Mt. Vernon—Miss Minnie Day.
New Hopewell—No delegate.
Poplar Grove—Z T Green.
Rock Springs—No delegate.
Rock View—Franklin Robbins.
Watauga—George Fox.
Yellow Hill—D E Baker, John Beshears, H L Beshears.

On motion of W. F. Gragg, That we tender thanks to the Lord and honor to the devoted fruitful lives of some of the brethren that established, and led in the Stony Fork Association that has left us for their eternal rest, and recommend their examples be enriched in righteousness and worthy to patronize:

Elders Joseph Harrison, Levi Wilsou, Larkin Hodges, John Cook Wm. M. Lee, Breth. B. Brown, T. L. Day and many others that are worthy and due honor that space will not allow us to mention their names.

The Moderator appointed N. S. Hampton to close this session, and after some appropriate remarks closed one of our best sessions in deep solemnity as we took the parting hand.

ELDER B. F. WILCOX, Moderator.
ELDER J. AMOS HAMPTON, Clerk.

Church Treasurers and their Post-offices.

[There is not space on the Statistical Table to print these.]

Boones Fork,	J. M. Coffey,	Shulls Mills, N. C.
Laurel Fork,	J. G. Storie,	Blowing Rock, "
Mt. Vernon,	T. M. Cook,	" " "
Mt. Ephriam,	C. C. Triplet,	Triplett, "
Middle Cane,	W. M. Minton,	Mt. Zion, "
New Hopewell,	David Coffey,	Gragg, "
Rock Springs,	R. T. Woods,	Darby, "
Watauga,	L. M. Hodges,	Banner Elk, "

TABLE I.— STATISTICAL

CHURCHES	PASTORS & P. O.	CLERKS & P. O.	Time of Preaching	Value Church Property	Rec. by Baptism	By Letter	By Statement	Restored	Dis. by Letter	Excluded	Died	Total Membership
Boones Fork	J. Amos Hampton, B. Rock	J. M. Coffey. Shulls Mills, NC	4	650	2	..	..	..	1	10	..	95
Doe Ridge	G W Brown, Boone, N C	Alice A Brown, Boone	4	100				1	4		1	17
Elk	Asso Mis. D M Wheeler Bamboo	F L Dula, Ferguson	3		1				1			31
Hopkins Chapel	No report.											
Laurel Fork	D M Wheeler, Bamboo	J G Storie, Blowing Rock	3	1500	4						3	121
Mt. Vernon	G W Sabastian, N. Wilkesboro	G F Critcher Boone	1	2000	18	2		2	3		3	278
Mt. Ephraim	Levi Green, Boone	Jacob Hayes, Triplett	2	1000	15	2		3	2	1	1	183
Mt. Paron	No report.											
Middle Cane	R L Barnes, Boone	John Hendrix, Stony Fork	3	100	8	8		1	11		1	37
New Hopewell	Oscar Dellinger, Linville	David Coffey, Gragg	3		1			2	2	2	1	98
Poplar Grove	L A Wilson, Zionville	W R Anderson, Vilas	1	3200	9				1	4	1	152
Rock Springs	G M Watson, Darby	J T Woods, Darby	1	1000	10	1	1		8	3		72
Rock View	G M Watson, Darby	Franklin Robbins, Triplett	4	1000	3	2		3		4		20
Watauga	G W Sabastian, N. Wilkesboro	R H Townsend, Banner Elk	3	3000	15	3		1	2			141
Yellow Hill	J H Wilcoxen, Summit	H L Beshears, Summit	3	800					3	4	2	102
[Note: All the above post offices are in North Carolina.—Printer.]				12350	86	18	1	13	38	30	13	1347

TABLE II.--- FINANCIAL

CHURCHES	Pastor's Salary	Ministerial Help.	Building & Repairs	Incidentals	SS. & B Y P U Exp.	The Poor	Minute Fund	Other Objects	HOME TOTAL	75 Million (Undes)	Home Missions	State and Asso. Mis.	Orphanage	Hospitals	Denominational Total	GRAND TOTAL
Boones Fork	50.70	43.04	189.85	.....	34.38	.....	5.00	12.83	335.80	.....	.....	.....	5.00	.....	5.00	340.80
Doe Ridge	25.00	12.00					75		37.75				1.00		1.00	38.75
Elk							75		.75		.25	22.50			22.75	23.50
Hopkins Chapel																
Laurel Fork	76.37	30.00	90.00		10.00		2.21	6.00	214.58				6.31		6.31	220.89
Mt. Vernon	202.00			50.00	59.50	62.40	10.00		383.90	71.00			133.25		204.25	588.15
Mt. Ephraim	45.65	25.30			8.00	135.75	3.30		218.00							218.00
Mt. Paron																
Middle Cane	20.00	5.00			9.50		1.50		36.00							36.00
New Hopewell	37.48		5.00			44.20	.50		87.18							87.18
Poplar Grove	74.57	42.00	114.00	12.00	28.12	0.00	4.00		274.69	30.35	3.50		15.00	4.75	53.60	328.29
Rock Springs	38.00	14.00	6.00				1.00		59.00							59.00
Rock View	30.50			5.75	2.00		1.00		39.25							39.25
Watauga	173.65	37.00	304.92	12.55	21.31		2.00		551.43				34.00		34.00	585.43
Yellow Hill	75.00				15.17	25.00	1.05		116.22				2.09		2.09	118.31
									2354.55	101.35	3.75	22.50	96.65	4.75	329.00	2683.55

TABLE III.—SUNDAY SCHOOLS

CHURCHES	SUPT. & P. O.	SEC'Y. & P. O.	Officers and Teachers	Beginners 3 to 5	primary 6 to 8	Junior 9 to 12	Intermediate 13 to 16	Senior & Adult 17 and up	TOTAL	Normal Diplomas	Baptisms from School	Home Expenses	Orphanage, Missions &c	Total Contributions
Boones Fork	W.G.Coffey, Shulls Mills N.C.	Milton Coffey, Shulls Mills	6	8	11	10	10	10	55	..	..	34.38	.....	34.38
Doe Ridge	No school.													
Elk	No school.													
Hopkins Chapel	No school reported.													
Laurel Fork	H M Storie, Blowing Rock	J G Storie, Blowing Rock	10						85			15.00	6.31	21.31
Mt. Vernon	W J Cook, Boone	W G Todd, Bamboo	12	20	25	48	25	53	183	5		59.50	101.25	160.75
Mt. Ephraim	C C Triplett, Triplet	Effie E Hayes, Triplett	7	12	15	18	20	35	107			8.00		8.00
Mt. Paron	No report.													
Middle Cane	W M Minton, Mt Zion, NC	Alice M Hodges, Triplett	5	10	5	6		30	56					
New Hopewell	No school.													
Poplar Grove	T C Hodges, Hodges Gap	Pearl Gragg, Hodges Gap	6	17	11	11	17	20	122		9	28.12		28.12
Rock Springs	Mrs R C Woods, Darby	J T Woods, Darby	3						40					
Rock View	W L Broyhill, Triplett	Wash Hodges, Triplett.	4						47			2.00		2.00
Watauga	L M Hodges, Banner Elk	Miss Avis Townsend, Ban. Elk	7	25	13	14	21	20	100	2		23.85		23.85
Yellow Hill	Lillie Beshears, Summit	Carr Church, Summit.	9						112			15.17	2.09	17.26

[All above post offices are in N. C.]

Poplar Grove has 12 in Home Dept. and 25 in Cradle Roll.

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MINUTES

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64th ANNUAL SESSION

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—HELD WITH—

MT. EPHRAIM BAPTIST CHURCH

Watauga County, N. C.,

SEPTEMBER 15 & 16,

1925

ELDER B. F. WILCOX Moderator, Shulls Mills, N. C.
ELDER J. AMOS HAMPTON Clerk & Treas.,
Blowing Rock, N. C.

The 65th Annual Session of the Stony Fork Baptist Association will convene with Rock View Baptist Church, 12 miles east of Boone; commencing on Tuesday 10 a. m. after the second Sunday in September, 1926.

Annual sermon by Elder W. D. Ashley,
Elder G. M. Watson, Alt.

Will H. McGuire, Printer, Brookside, N. C.

MINUTES
of the
Stony Fork Baptist Association

REPORT ON NOMINATIONS

Associational Mission Board:

B. F. Wilcox, Moderator,	Shulls Mills, N. C.
Z. T. Greene, Secretary,	" "
D. M. Wheeler Pastor,	Bamboo, N. C.
J. M. Coffey, Layman Worker,	Shulls Mills, N. C.
Miss Minnie Day, Woman's Work,	Blowing Rock, "
Mrs. J. Amos Hampton, B.Y.U. Worker	"
L. M. Hodges, S. S. Worker,	Banner Elk, "
Mrs Z T Greene,	Shulls Mills, "
W D Cook,	Blowing Rock, "
J Amos Hampton,	" " "
H L Beshears,	Summit, "

To the Baptist State Convention:

B. F. Wilcox,	Shulls Mills, N. C.

To Southern Baptist Convention:

L M Hodges,	Banner Elk, N C
Z T Greene,	Shulls Mills, "

Fifth Sunday Meeting Workers:

J Amos Hampton, Merritt Coffey, B F Wilcox.

Correspondents to Associations:

Three Forks, B. F. Wilcox.
Caldwell, W D Ashley.
Ashe, John Beshears.
Avery County, J Amos Hampton.
Brushy Mountain, D M Wheeler.

We urge that each one make an honest effort to fill the mission to which he is appointed. Merritt Coffey, Joe Wheeler, J. P. Cook, } Com

Ordained Ministers and P. O.

Ashley, W. D.	Blowing Rock, N. C.
Brown, G W	Boone, "
Brown, A M	" "
Barnes, R L	" "

Church, W N	Summit, N.C.
Church, J W	" "
Dellinger, Oscar	Linville, "
Greer, R G	Fleetwood, "
Hampton, J Amos	Blowing Rock, "
Miller, M D	Triplett, "
Wheeler, D M	Bamboo, "
Wilcox, B F	Shulls Mills, "
Watson, G M	Darby, "

Standing Committees for Session 1926

Order of Business— Moderator and Clerk.
Pastoral Support— N L Harrison, Blowing Rock, N C.
Temperance— L M Hodges, Banner Elk.
Periodicals— Miss Bertha Day, Blowing Rock.
Sunday Schools— T C Hodges, Boone.
Digest of Letters— Joe Wheeler and the Clerk.
Obituaries— H L Beshears, Summit.
Woman's Work— Miss Ethel Day, Blowing Rock.
State Missions— T N Cook, Bamboo.
Home Missions— Z T Greene, Shulls Mills.
Foreign Missions— B F Wilcox, Shulls Mills.
Christian Education— D M Wheeler, Bamboo.
Hospitals— Mrs T M Wheeler, Bammboo.
Ministerial Relief— W D Ashley, Blowing Rock.
Orphanage— Mrs L M Hodges, Banner Elk.
B Y P U— Miss Minnie Day, Blowing Rock.
Resolutions — J G Storie, " "
Nominations— J M Coffey, Shulls Mills.
Place and Preacher— W J Cook, Boone.
Finance— W G Todd, Boone.

P-R-O-C-E-E-D-I-N-G-S

Mt. Ephraim Baptist Church, Watauga Co., N. C.,
Tuesday, September 15, 1925.

The Stony Fork Missionary Baptist Association met in its 64th annual session. Rev. B. F. Wilcox read John 1 : 1-15.

Rev. N. S. Hampton led in praper.

Read and approved Order of Business.

Rev. J. Amos Hampton read Ps. 2: 1-23. Prayer by B.F.Wilcox.

Rev. J. Amos Hampton preached from Ps. 2: 13. Theme: Will and Work. Prayer by Rev. G. W. Sabastian.

Letters were handed in from 13 churches.

Time of present officers being expired,on motion of D.M.Wheeler, B. F. Wilcox was elected Moderator and J. Amos Hampton, Clerk.

Invited correspondents: G. W. Sabastian, Rev. K. D. Stukenbrok and Mrs. K. D. Stukenbrok of Brushy Mountain Association, and Rev. N. S. Hampton from Avery Co. Association accepted seats.

Rev. K. D. Stukenbrok spoke in the interest of Christian Education in representation of Mountain View Baptist School.

Adjourned for one hour and fifteen minutes.

AFTERNOON

After a bountiful dinner, reassembled. After singing by the choir, W. D. Ashley led in prayer.

Extended an invitation to churches wishing to unite with us.

The following committees were appointed:

Pastoral Support: W G Todd, K D Stukenbrok, N L Harrison.
Temperance: W D Ashley, G W Sabastian, John Beshears.
Periodicals: K D Stukenbrok, N S Hampton, J C Mann.
Sunday Schools: L M Hodges, G W Sabastian, W M Minton.
Digest of Letters: Joe Wheeler, Amos Hampton, N S Hampton.
Obituaries: H M Storie, J F Holder, James Wheeler.
Womans Work: Minnie Day, Mrs K D Stukenbrok, Della Cox.
State Missions: Z T Greene, D M Wheeler, W M Gilmore.
Home Missions: Mrs Z T Greene, W D Ashley, F M Huggins.
Foreign Missions: N L Harrison, L M Hodges.
Christian Education: B F Wilcox, J W Hendrix.
Hospitals: H L Beshears, G W Sebastian, W J Cook.
Orphanage: Ethel Day G M Watson, J G Storie, J L Miller.
B Y P U Work: Z T Green, J M Coffey, N L Harrison.
Resolutions: H G Cook, W L Coffey, Jeff Hodges.
Nominations: J M Coffey, Joe Wheeler, J P Cook.

Finance: Z. T. Greene, N. L. Harrison, W. J. Cook.
Place and Preacher: W. D. Cook, John Beshears, J. G. Storie and James Wheeler.

N. L. Harrison read Report on Pastoral Support. Spoken to by K. D. Stukenbrok, N. L. Harrison, N. S. Hampton and adopted.

PASTORAL SUPPORT

First of all, we believe that no man is qualified to preach God's Word until he is born again, which means, born of the "Spirit."

Then if he must preach the Word, the next qualification is a special call by the master, to tell the news, then he needs qualifications in the way of educational preparation, then the pastor together with all really true church members must make special effort to attain.

Now this does not mean literary knowledge alone; but the study of the Bible has first place and goes hand in hand with the literary work You all know that our strongest pastors and best men come from poor families, and we must remember that we, as laymen, must see to it that the pastor has the necessary help in a financial way to obtain this knowledge and support. Now do not think of this in a light way, and not merely that I may do little or nothing as I please with little or no regard as to my duty. But you will find if you are a Christian that that it is not only merely do as I please, but it is a duty, and more too, it is an obligation and much of an obligation.

K. D. Stukenbrok, N. L. Harrison.

Rev. F. M. Huggins from Three Forks association and Rev. W. M. Gilmore representing the State Mission Board, accepted seats.

Mrs. K. D. Stukenbrok read Report on Woman's Work.

Spoken to by Mrs. Stukenbrok and adopted.

WOMAN'S WORK

If we wish to accomplish great things we must be in unison and pulling together. For lack of this, golden opportunities are passing us daily.

The outstanding features of the Woman's Missionary Union are prayer, Bible and mission study, and personal service.

It is through the fervent, earnest, united prayers that things are brought about in his kingdom. It is because we know of and about the needs in the mission fields that we want to give to them. With the deepening religious feeling that such brings about, we become willing to dedicate our means and our lives to His service.

Therefore, we wish to urge upon the women of this association to unite and help in this great work. Mrs. K. D. Stukenbrok,
Dellie Cox.

W. D. Ashley read the Report on Temperance. Spoken to by W. D. Ashley, K. D. Stukenbrok, G. W. Sabastian, B. F. Wilcox, and G. M. Watson and adopted.

TEMPERANCE

We, your committee on Temperance, urge that our preachers in this association preach temperance, also that our churches stand for temperance and that our members abstain from all intoxicating beverages, because "wine is a mocker and strong drink is raging and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise."

We further insist on all our good people to stand for law enforcement against the whiskey evil.

John Beshears, W. D. Ashley, Com.

L. M. Hodges read the report on Sunday-schools. Spoken to by W. M. Minton, L. M. Hodges, G. W. Sebastian, N. S Hampton, N. L. Harrison, and adopted.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS

We believe in the Sunday-school as it is the church at work. It is a place where we study the Bible together. It is a duty and a golden opportunity for every child of God. We know that it is right, being supported by the Bible. Christ our Saviour taught in the synagogue on the Sabbath day that his followers should either be teachers or students.

We urge every member not to neglect nor let anything if possible hinder them from assembling on the Lord's day in Sunday-school work. As one writer said, "A true genuine Sunday-school student is never lost," then how important it is to bring every boy and girl up in a well supervised Sunday-school. We have nothing to make men and women out of but the little boys and girls who must soon take our places. We have nothing to constitute our churches in the future but the little child who Solomon says train in the way he should go and when he is old he will not depart from it, and I am sure there is no better place for this than in the wide awake Sunday school.

L. M. Hodges, G. W. Sabastian, Wm. Minton, Com.

On motion adjourned.

Wednesday, September 16th.

G. M. Watson read John 14 : 1—6 and led in prayer.

Prof. Smith Hagaman of Three Forks association was welcomed to a seat.

Read and adopted minutes of previous session.

Called the roll of Delegates and marked absentees.

N. S. Hampton read the Report on Periodicals. Spoken to by N. S. Hampton, W. M. Gilmore, Smith Hagaman and F. M. Huggins and adopted.

BOOKS AND PERIODICALS

The Bible is the inspired word of God and should be read and studied by all. We have many books that are helpful to the study of the Bible and may be secured from the Baptist Book Store, Raleigh, N. C. All Baptists should be careful as to what they read, it is said, "As a person reads so they are."

Charity and Children tell us about our Orphanage and furnishes quite an abundance of rich thought.

The Biblical Recorder and Foreign Fields are Baptist periodicals and great educators in regard to our general work and will keep us informed in regard to what our Baptist workers are doing and needs to be done at home and abroad.

Every family should have these periodicals come into their homes.

N. S. Hampton, K. D. Stukenbrok, J. C. Mann.

N. S. Hampton read report on Digest of Letters and adopted.

STATE of CHURCHES and DIGEST of LETTERS

Last year 10 churches report for Pastors' Support,	$733.10
This year 13 churches report for Pastors' Salaries,	967.26
Last year 10 churches report gains by baptism,	80
This year 10 churches report gains by baptism,	74
Last year 2 churches gave to Missions,	$119.85
This year 6 churches gave to Missions,	$188.97
Last year 5 churches gave to Orphanage,	$188.25
This year 3 churches gave to Orphanage,	$121.95
Last year 9 Sunday-schools, total enrollment,	779
This year 12 Sunday-schools, total enrollment,	921
No B.Y.P.U. last year; this year 1 B.Y.P.U. reported.	
Last year 13 churches report total membership,	1,347
This year 14 churches report total membership,	1,395

Joe Wheeler, J. Amos Hampton, N. S. Hampton.

N. S. Hampton read Report on Obituaries. Adopted.

OBITUARIES

The reports from the various churches show the deaths of 14 of their numbers. In behalf of the association we extend to the bereft ones our heartfelt sympathy and commend them to the Lord that doeth all things well, trusting that our loss is heaven's gain.

Sleep on departed loved ones
Who's waking is supremely blest

And enter with Christ into eternal rest.

F. F. Holder, J. J. Wheeler.

Read Reports on State, Home and Foreign Missions, after a sermon on Missions by Rev. W. M. Gilmore. Reports adopted.

STATE MISSIONS

State Missions mean the support of God's cause in every respect in the state. There are some people in our own beloved state that do not believe the Bible to be the Word of God. There are those that do not believe in missions at all; but this should not discourage us in discharging our obligations to God. Every child of God should stand by the cause of Missions by supporting it with their means and prayers. The gospel is the only hope for the salvation of our people. As it becomes the duty of one to deliver the message to our lost people, it is just as much our duty then to support this cause.

Z. T. Greene, D. M. Wheeler.

HOME MISSIONS

The Home Mission Board is trying to firmly establish the Baptist cause in the United States and islands of the sea.

In the past twenty-one years, over $13,700,000 have been raised and wisely used in this great cause of giving the Word of God to our people.

In the previous 58 years about $3,500,000 were raised for the same purpose. Therefore, we must increase our contributions in order to take care of this rapidly growing work.

Home Missions is the foundation of Foreign Missions.

Respectfully,

(Mrs.) Z. T. Greene.

FOREIGN MISSIONS

The subject of Foreign Missions is of great moment to Christian people. But Foreign Missions, which means to carry the gospel to other nations, and this was the command to the disciples by Jesus, our Lord and Master. Jesus said: "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." To do this means thought, effort, action. If you decide that you are a Missionary Baptist, then Foreign Missionary, go your self and preach the gospel; if you cannot go, send some one; if you cannot do that, help send some one by giving your money.

N. L. Harrison, L. M. Hodges, Com.

Adjourned for one hour.

AFTERNOON,—Wednesday.

After a bountiful dinner, reassembled. Song by choir. Smith Hagaman led in prayer.

B. F. Wilcox read Report on Christian Education. Spoken to by Smith Hagaman, B. F. Wilcox and adopted.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Education has been agitating the minds of men for ages. For its grand accomplishment means and labor must be sacrificed. There are wonderful possibilities for our young men and women to accomplish if they can have the proper chance to bring out the best that is in them.

Our State has a great school system but the books used and the instruction offered we are afraid does not have the religious tenor that it once had.

The Sunday school, the teaching service of the church, should be taken advantage of by one and all, but our leadership the most of places is far from ideal.

Our Baptist schools are a great asset to our denomination. These schools are managed by well trained God loving, God fearing leaders, under such strong impressive influence, the best that there is in one comes to light, time and eternity, will only reveal the worth of those who apply themselves in this way.

B. F. Wilcox, J. W. Hendrix, Com.

W. J. Cook read the report on Hospitals and adopted.

HOSPITALS

We believe the hospital at Winston-Salem, which is our denominational hospital, is doing an enormous amount of good. To see and know the work that is being done there ought to inspire every Baptist to do something to foster it. We ought to feel proud that we Baptists have such an institution as this where we can get help when we are not able to help ourselves. We ought to be willing to support it to the utmost.

Willie J. Cook.

N. L. Harrison read Report on B. Y. P. U. Spoken to by N. L. Harrison and W. M. Gilmore and adopted.

B. Y. P. U.

Work is to a church what Paint is to the military student. The preaching service is the church worshiping, the S. S. is the church teaching and the B.Y.P.U is the church training service. There is nothing to take the place of BYPU work. If properly looked after and worked it means more efficient officers and workers. We heart-

ily endorse the BYPU work.

N. L. Harrison, Z. T. Greene, Com.

D. M. Wheeler read his report as Asso'l Missionary and adopted.

ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONARY

I have preached to weak churches and destitute places about 35 sermons, and held about 20 prayer meetings, resulting in 20 professions.

Received for services, $38.75. Mt. Vernon church $13 50. Poplar Grove church, $4.00. Rock View church, $5.00. Mt. Ephrim $5 75.

D. M. Wheeler.

G. M. Watson read Report on Orphanage. Spoken to by G. M. Watson, N. S. Hampton, W. M. Gilmore and adopted.

ORPHANAGE

The Orphanage is one department of our denominational work that keeps us in constant touch with the crying needs of our dependent children. For 31 years this work has been growing until we have been caring for 500 or more children. The funds necessary to maintain the orphanage is around $175,000 the year. This does not include buildings and improvements. We believe it to be the duty of every Sunday school to contribute of their means to help support the Orphanage, and we further urge that every superintendent of each Sunday school take a collection every Sunday. The helpless childhood of our state depends upon our salary for care and support.

G. M. Watson, J. G. Storie, Com.

H. G. Cook read Report on Resolutions. Adopted.

RESOLUTIONS

We your committee wish to submit the following :

First, Be it resolved, That we the Stony Fork Association, express our sincere thanks to the Mt. Ephraim Church, Pastor and community at large for their splendid hospitality in the entertainment of this body both in their homes and with filled baskets on the church grounds.

2. We recommend that the association extend a vote of thanks to the Moderator and the Clerk for their efficient services.

God commands in his Word that we show hospitality to eachother.

H. G. Cook, W. Coffey, Com.

On motion by D. M. Wheeler that the Executive Committee apportion the amount each church in the association to finance the association's printing and clerk hire.

REPORT of TREASURER

Received for Minute funds,		$33.06
"	from Doe Ridge church for Orphanage,	1.00
"	from Elk church for Home Missions,	.25
"	from Poplar Grove church for 75 Million,	30.35
	Total,	$64.66

Disbursements:

To Walters Durham,	$30.60	
To F. B. Hamrick for Orphanage,	1.00	
Printing and mailing Minutes,	26.50	
Paid on Clerk's Salary,	6.56	
Total,		$64.66

Due Clerk, $8.44.

J. Amos Hampton, Clerk.

Z T. Greene read Report on Finance and adopted.

FINANCE

Received for Minute Fund,		$34 75
"	" Orphanage,	2.92
"	" State Missions,	7.50
"	" Cooperative Missions,	14.70
	Total,	$59.87
Allowed the Clerk for his services,		$15.00

Handed in on amount due Clerk from last year by Delegates,

Mt. Vernon, $1.00. Mt Ephraim, $1.00. Poplar Grove, $1.00. Laurel Fork, $1.00. Rock View, $1.00. Yellow Hill, $1.00.

Z. T. Green, N. L. Harrison, Willie J. Cook, Com.

J. G. Storie read report on Place and Preacher. Adopted.

PLACE AND PREACHER

We ask for the 65th annual session of the Stony Fork Association to convene with Rock View Baptist Church on Tuesday after the second Sunday in September 1926.

Annual Sermon by Eld. W. D. Ashley. Eld. G. M. Watson alt.

J. J. Wheeler, J. G. Storie.

On Motion of D. M. Wheeler, the association elected N. S. Hampton Chairman of the Cooperative Baptist Program for 1926.

On motion by John Hendrix, reelected D. M. Wheeler Associational Missionary for the ensueing year.

The Moderator appointed Rev. N. S. Hampton to close the session. After some remarks by N. S. Hampton, praising the unity of

the session, with the indication of spiritual union, sang as they took the parting hand.

J. AMOS HAMPTON, Clerk. B. F. WILCOX, Moderator.

Roll of Delegates

Boones Fork—W. L. Coffey, J. M. Coffey, R. C. Coffey.
Doe Ridge—No delegates.
Elk—No delegate.
Hopkins Chapel—No delegate.
Laurel Fork—J G Storie, F F Holder, J L Miller.
Mt. Vernon—J Amos Hampton, Willie Cook, N L Harrison.
Mt. Ephraim—James P Cook T A Cox.
Mt. Paron—G D Watson.
Middle Cane—J W Hendrix, W M Minton, Johny Hodges.
New Hopewell—No delegate.
Poplar Grove—Z T Greene.
Rock Springs—No delegate.
Rock View—James Wheeler, Jeff Hodges.
Watauga—L M Hodges, J C Mann.
Yellow Hill—John Beshears.

Church Treasurers and Post Offices

Boones Fork	J. M. Coffey	Shulls Mills, N. C.
Laurel Fork	J G Storie	Blowing Rock, "
Mt. Vernon	T May Cook	" " "
Mt. Ephraim	C C Triplett	Triplett, "
Middle Cane	W M Minton	Mt. Zion, "
Poplar Grove	W R Anderson	Vilas, "
Rock Spring	R T Woods	Darby, "
Rock View	J F Robbins	Triplett, "
Watauga	L M Hodges	Banner Elk, "
Yellow Hill	H L Beshears	Summit, "

TABLE I. STASISTICAL

CHURCH	PASTOR & P. O.	CLERK & P. O.	CHURCH MEMBERSHIP: Baptisms	Letters	Statements	Restorations	Lost: Letters	Exclusions	Deaths	Total Present Members
Boones Fork	W. D. Ashley, Blowing Rock	J. M. Coffey, Shulls Mills NC	6	..	..	..	3	1	..	97
Doe Ridge	G. W. Brown, Boone, NC	Alice Brown, Boone "							1	16
Elk	No report.									
HopkinsChap'l	C F Cook, Mortimer, "	D L Chester, Edgemont, "	9				2	2		26
Laurel Fork	D M Wheeler, Bamboo	J G Storie, Blowing Rock	4			1	4		1	121
Mt. Vernon	G W Sabastian, N Wilkesboro	W F Critcher, Boone,					12	5	2	259
Mt. Ephraim	Levi Greene, Boone	Jacob S Hayes, Triplett	2			1	12	1	3	176
Mt. Paron	T S Robbins, Stony Fork,	G D Watson, Deep Gap, "		2					1	31
Middle Cane	R L Barnes, Boone,	J W Hendrix, Stony Fork		2			1			38
New Hopewell.	W D Ashley, Blowing Rock	David Coffey, Gragg, "	8	2			5	2	1	100
Poplar Grove	G W Sabastian, N Wilkesboro	W R Anderson, Vilas,	5	1			4	2		153
Rock Springs	R L Barnes, Boone,	J T Woods, Darby, "	9				3			74
Rock View	G M Watson, Darby,	J F Robbins, Triplett,	5	4	7					36
Watauga	G W Sabastian, N Wilkesboro	Mrs L M Hodges, Banner Elk	17	5		2	3		4	158
Yellow Hill	J H Wilcox, Summit,	H L Beshears, Summit,	8	1					1	110

Note: This Table calls for so many items that there is not space on one page to contain it, so it was obliged to be printed in two sections.

STATISTICAL TABLE,— Continued.

Churches	Regular days of Meeting	Location of Church	When Constituted	Revivals during the year	Families taking Recorder	Materials Used	Persons Seated	No. Rooms	Value House and Grounds	Total Value Ch. Property
Boones Fork	2	Country	.....	1	2	Wood	200	1	650	650
Doe Ridge		Country				Wood	200	1	100	100
Elk										
HopkinsChap'l	2	Country		1		0	0	0	0	0
Laurel Fork	3	Country	1853	1		Wood	300	1	1500	1500
Mt. Vernon	1	"	1866	1	4	Wood	600	1	2000	2000
Mt. Ephraim	2	"	1856	1	1	Wood	300	1	1000	1000
Mt. Paron	3	"	1886			Wood	150	1	300	300
Middle Cane	3	"	1911	2		Wood	300	1	1000	1000
New Hopewell.	4	"	1872	1		Wood	200	1	400	400
Poplar Grove	1	"	1872	1	3	Wood	172	1	4000	4000
Rock Springs	1	"		1		Wood	300	1	1000	1000
Rock View	4	"	1923	2		Wood	300	1	1200	1200
Watauga	3	"	1844	1	2	Wood	300	1	3000	3000
Yellow Hill	3	"	1850	1	2	Wood	400	1	800	800

B. Y. P. U. & W. M. U.

Mt. Vernon has one Senior and one Junior Union, Misses Ethel Day and Glender Hampton, Blowing Rock, N. C., Presidents.

Seniors enrolled, 26; Juniors enrolled, 18; Total enrolled, 44; No. Daily Bible readers, 10; Unions taking Study Course, 12; Total Systematic Givers in all Unions, 10.

Printer's Note: There were not enough statististics to justify making a table, so the information is printed as above.

TABLE II. FINANCIAL

Churches	Pastor's Salary	Ministerial Help	Building & Repairs	Incidentals	SS & B.Y P U Exp.	Local Poor	Minute Fund etc.	Other Objects	HOME TOTAL	Co-operative Prog'm	State & aso Missions	Orphanage	Other Benevolen	Denominational Total	GRAND TOTAL
Boones Fork	57.42	16.25	.....	.60	13.00	7.65	4.50	32.50	131.17	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	131.17
Doe Ridge							.60		.60			2.92		2.92	3.52
Elk	No report.														
HopkinsChap'l	25.00				1.25		.60		26.85						26.85
Laurel Fork	41.50				3.20		2.30		47.00		7.50			7.50	54.50
Mt. Vernon	254.00			43.07	56.59	80.56	10.00		444.22	144.50		77.22		221.72	665.94
Mt. Ephraim	98.44	17.35	5.00	10.00	8.00	108.20	3.00		249.99	11.70				11.70	261.69
Mt. Paron	14.75	2.40					1.00		23.84						23.84
Middle Cane	20.00		800.00		8.00	10.00	1.50		839.50						839.50
New Hopewell	22.64				2.85	1.90	.50	1.00	28.89						28.89
Poplar Grove	125.00		1.50	10.00	28.84		5.00	4.00	174.34	3.00		37.50	7.87	48.37	222.71
Rock Springs	35.00	6.06			.55		1.00		42.61						42.61
Rock View	65.00	5.00	1.20			16.00	1.50		88.70						88.70
Watauga	133.50	44.60	20.25	16.60	13.25	1.25	2.00	33.15	276.60	14.40				14.40	291.00
Yellow Hill	75.01	4.00	5.00		33.75	10.00	1.25		129.01			4.31		4.31	133.32

Mt. Paron reports $5.69 and Watauga $12.00 for "Other Salaries."
These amounts appear in their "Totals" in above Table.

TABLE III. SUNDAY SCHOOLS

CHURCHES	SUPT. & P. O.	SECRETARY & P. O.	Officers and Teachers	Beginners 3—5 years	Primary 6—8	Juniors 9—12	Intermediate 13—16 years	Senior-Adult 17 and up	Cradle Roll Under 3 yrs	Total Enrollment	Teachers with Normal Diplo	Baptisms	Gifts to Local Church Work	To Orphanage and Missions	Does your house provide for all Classes?
Boones Fork	Milton Coffey, Shulls Mills, NC	Mrs J M Coffey, Shulls Mills	6	12	12	....	10	25	5	70	..	..	.....	.....	No
Doe Ridge	No school reported														
Elk	"														
HopkinsChap'l	O C Dellinger, Linville,	"													
		Miss Zonie Coffey, Edgemont	4		12			18		34					No
Laurel Fork	H M Storie, Blowing Rock	Roselee Triplett, B. Rock	5							50					No
Mt. Vernon	W J Cook, Boone	N L Harrison, Blowing Rock	12	18	18	28	44	44		164	5		59.34	57.08	Yes
Mt. Ephraim	C C Triplett, Triplett	Miss Effie Hayes, Triplett	7	25	15	10	16	10		75					No
Mt Paron	No school reported														
Middle Cane	W M Minton, Mt Zion	Alice M Hodges, Triplett	4	8	6	6	5	10		39					No
New Hopewell	L E Gragg, Gragg	Not given	4							43					No
Poplar Grove	Collis Austin, Shulls Mills	Fred Greene, Shulls Mills	8	15	10	16	20	18	25	124		5			No
Rock Springs	J T Woods, Darby	Parlee Triplett, Darby	4			18		14		36					No
Rock View	W L Broyhill, Triplett	Wash Hodges, Triplett	4	25				16		45					No
Watauga	L M Hodges, Banner Elk	Mary J Fox, Banner Elk	9	25	20	21	14	47		136	1	5			No
Yellow Hill	Mrs Lillie Beshears, Summit	Nancy Beshears, Summit	12	13	39	22		38		124		8	33.75	4 31	No

Poplar Grove has 12 in Home Dept. —— No schools graded, —— None Standard. — All in the Country.

MINUTES

—OF THE—

65th ANNUAL SESSION

—OF THE—

Stony Fork Baptist Association

—HELD WITH—

ROCK VIEW BAPTIST CHURCH

SEPTEMBER 14 & 15, 1926

ELDER D. M. WHEELER, Moderator, Bamboo, N. C.
ELDER J. A. HAMPTON, Clerk & Treas., Blowing Rock, N.C.

The 66th annual session of the Stony Fork Baptist Association will convene with Elk Baptist Church near the mouth of Yadkin Elk, between Wilkesboro and Patterson, N.C. beginning Tuesday after the second Sunday in September, 1927.

Annual Sermon by Elder D. M. Wheeler
Elder J. Amos Hampton, alternate.

Will H. McGuire's Print, Brookside, N. C.

MINUTES

Of The

Stony Fork Baptist Association, 1926.

REPORT ON NOMINATIONS

Associational Mission Board:

D. M. Wheeler, Moderator,	Bamboo,	N. C.
Z. T. Greene, Secretary,	Shulls Mills,	"
B. F. Wilcox, Pastor,	" "	"
J. M. Coffey, Layman Worker,	" "	"
Miss Minnie Day, Woman's Work,	Blowing Rock,	"
Mrs. J. Amos Hampton, B.Y.P.U. Worker,	"	"
L. M. Hodges, S. S. Worker,	Banner Elk,	"
Mrs. Z. T. Greene,	Shulls Mills,	"
W. J Cook,	Blowing Rock,	"
J. Amos Hampton,	"	"
H. L. Beshears,	Summit,	"

To the Baptist State Convention:

L. M. Hodges,	Banner Elk,	"
Elder B. F. Wilcox,	Shulls Mills,	"
Z. T. Greene,	"	"

Fifth Sunday Meeting Workers:

J. Amos Hampton, J. M. Coffey. B. F. Wilcox.

Correspondents to Associations:

Three Forks, B. F. Wilcox. Caldwell, W. D. Ashley.
Ashe, John Beshears. Avery Co., J. A. Hampton.
Brushy Mtn., D M Wheeler.

We urge that each one make an honest effort to fill the mission to which he is appointed.

W. T. Land
J. J. Wheeler, } Com
J. Amos Hampton

Ordained Ministers and P. O.

Ashley, W. D.	Blowing Rock,	N. C.
Brown, G. W.	Boone,	"
Brown, A. M.	"	"
Barnes, R L	"	"
Church, W N	Summit,	"
Church, J W	"	"
Dellinger, Oscar	Linville	"
Robbins, Ed S	Blowing Rock,	"

Greer, R G	Fleetwood, "
Hampton, J Amos	Blowing Rock, "
Miller, M D	Triplett, "
Wheeler, D M	Bamboo, "
Wilcox, B F	Shulls Mills, "
Watson, G M	Darby, "
Watson, Luster	Deep Gap, "

Standing Committees For 1927.

Order of Bnsiness--Moderator and Clerk.
Pastoral Support—Z. T. Greene, Shulls Mills N. C.
Temperance—W D Ashley, Blowing Rock.
Periodicals—Miss Ethel Day, "
Sunday Schools—L M Hodges, Banner Elk.
Digest of Letters—W E Coffey and the Clerk.
Obituarises—H M Story, Blowing Rock.
Woman's Work—Miss Minnie Day, "
State Missions—N L Harrison, "
Home Missions—Mrs L M Hodges, Banner Elk
Foreign Missions—B F Wilcox, Shulls Mills.
Christian Education—C C Triplett, Triplett.
Hospitals—T N Cook, Bamboo.
Ministerial Relief—D M Wheeler, Bamboo.
Orphanage—Mrs Z T Greene, Shulls Mills.
B. Y. P. U.—Mrs J Amos Hampton, Blowing Rock.
Resolutions—W J Cook, Boone.
Place and Preacher—J M Coffey, Shulls Mills.
Finance—J W Harrison, Blowing Rock.

PROCEEDINGS

Rock View Baptist Church, Watauga Co , N. C.,
Tuesday, September 14, 1926.

The Stony Fork Missionary Baptist Association met in its 65th annual session. After singing, J. Amos Hampton led in prayer.

Rev. G. W. Watson read 1 Thes., 5: 1-8. Rev. F. M. Huggins led in prayer. Rev. G. M. Watson preached the Introductory as alternate, from Titus 2: 1., theme being Sound.

The present moderator being absent due to ill health, went into the election of officers for the new year, Revs M. A. Adams and F. M. Huggins serving as tellers, and reported Rev. D. M. Wheeler elected Moderator and J. Amos Hampton Clerk.

Letters were handed in from the different churches.

Invitation was extended to correspondents and Rev. F. M. Huggins of Three Forks association and Rev. M. A. Adams in interest the Biblical Recorder and State Mission work accepted seats.

An invitation was given to churches wishing to unite with us.

The Report on Books and Periodicals was read by Miss Minnie Day. Spoken to by M. A. Adams and adopted.

PERIODICALS

The physical body demands a well-prepared, and a well-balanced ration with a proper exercise in order to be a normal physical body; so does the spiritual being require similar requisites in order to be a normal spiritual being. Of course the Bible is the fountain head of all spiritual food, but through such periodicals as Charity and Children, Biblical Recorder and Foreign Fields, our minds are broadened and we are enlightened in regard to the general work and activities of the Baptist denomination, as well as much valuable food for thought.

Every Baptist family should have access to at least the general information of these publications. —Bertha Day.

AFTERNOON SESSION

After enjoying a wholesome dinner, reassembled. After singing, Rev. G. W. Brown led in prayer.

The following committees were appointed:

State Missions— T. N. Cook, M. A. Adams.
Home Missions— Z T Greene, F M Huggins.
Foreign Missions— B F Wilcox, M A Adams.
Christian Education— D M Wheeler, W E Coffey.
Pastoral Support— G M Watson, W T Land.

Sunday Schools— W A Proffit, J P Cook.
Digest of Church Letters—The Clerk, W E Coffey.
Orphanage--Miss Minnie Day, F M Huggins.
Woman's Work—Miss Ethel Day, Mrs Docile Cook.
Hospitals—Mrs T M Wheeler, M W Day, Minnie Day.
B Y P U —Miss Minnie Day, W A Proffit.
Obituaries— H M Story, Irdel Henderson.
Temperance—Joe Greene, Talt Ford, J W Hendrix.
Resolutions—H M Storie, W E Coffey.
Place and Preacher—M W Day, J J Wheeler.
Finance—W A Proffit, John Beshears.
Ministerial Relief—J W Hendrix, G M Watson.
Nominations—W T Land, J J Wheeler.

Read report on State, Home, and Foreign Missions. Spoken to by F. M. Huggins and M. A. Adams and adopted.

STATE MISSIONS

To support State Missions means to spread the gospel light in our own State. The Word of God is the only method for the salvation and progress of the people. There are many remote sections of the country which do not know the gospel, and, at present, do not care to know it. The only way to reach these people and kindle the fire of religion among them is through State Missions. Such people are as good as any in the world and deserve all the support that we can give. When they have found the light, they will in turn, help to enlighten others. The State has a wsely planned public school system, and is not the religions life as important as the literary part?

All money which we give is wisely spent, as only the best and the highest type of ministers are employed. The work and need of this field in increasing every year, so we must necessarily increase our contributions in proportion. As Missionary Baptists, it is our duty to loyally support State Missions.

Newton Cook, M. A. Adams, Comm.

HOME MISSIONS

Our denominational papers have given most hearty commendation of the Home Mission work for the past year. The Board made a glorious report to the Convention last May at Houston, Tex.

Although the receipts were more than $100,000 short of those of the previous year, the year's work was most gratifying Conversions and baptisms were numerous. Mission stations and weak churches helped by the Board are in turn giving liberally to our work, and the report of the Board shows a tendency towards self-support.

Since the Convention met in Houston 11 years ago, the work of

the Home Mission Board has steadily gone forward. Since that time there have been 405,796 baptisms with total additions of 552,312, and 2,123 churches constituted; 7,148 Sunday schools organized.

The Board is laboring under a heavy debt, owing to reduction of receipts for five years past. Retrenchment has been exercised each year. It will be almost suicidal for us to enforce further retrenchment in this great work.

This is the greatest hour for Home Missions in the history of our country. The problems were never so acute, the demands so urgent the opportunities so great and the obligations so overwhelming.

Problems at home are as serious and complicated as those beyond the seas.

Our country has become notorious for its disrespect for law, for its numerous murders, for its commercialism and materialism. Nothing but the mighty power of the Gospel of Christ will save us from this deluge of worldly diversion and material prosperity.

The Board furnishes free, excellent tracts and leaflets of its work at its headquarters, 804 Wynne-Claughton Bldg., Atlanta, Ga.

Your committee recommends that every church and individual in our bounds study this great department of our work and pray earnestly and give liberally for its success.

Z. T. Greene, F. M. Huggins.

FOREIGN MISSIONS

The Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention has closed the 81st year of its great service as a clearing house of Southern Baptists for the dissemination of the gospel in the most destitute parts of the earth. These 81 years have been filled with perplexing problems, hard work, and often with discouragements. But there has been an almost unbroken progress in evangelistic achievements and expansion of the Kingdom of Christ. The last year was the best year in all the years of the Board's history and work.

13,269 persons were baptized on our foreign fields during the last Southern Baptist Convention year, a gain of 1,135 over the previous year. The total membership is now 140,488. This membership is organized into 1,215 churches, 557 of which are self-supporting. These churches contributed last year $444,258, nearl $4. per member.

There are nearly 2,000 Sunday schools with 77,000 scholars, and many woman's and young peoples societies with large memberships.

The medical work of the Board for the year consisted of 214,910 treatments to 69,583 patients, and 934 major operations.

The Board started the year 1925-26 with a heavy debt and loud calls from its missionaries for reenforcement and relief. During the year the Board received from the Co-operative Program $1,071,384.

16; in designated gifts $240,613 05; and in total gifts to the Christmas Love Offering $811,344.11; yet there was left an indebtedness $827,000.

For more than three years the Board has denied the missionaries all equipment and has now for some time discontinued the appointment of missionaries.

The world which the Foreign Mission Board is facing is a world in desperate need, but a world ready for Christ, its only hope. Will the Baptists of this association suffer their beloved missionaries and their Foreign Mission Board to appeal in vain to them? Will they ignore the cries of a lost and ruined world for which Christ died and for which we have a sure and only remedy? The world needs the gospel, hundreds of young people are ready to carry it, and our people have the money to send them, if they will only give it.

Rev. B. F. Wilcox, Rev. M. A. Adams, Com.

Read Report on Christian Education. Spoken to by D. M. Wheeler, M. A. Adams F. M. Huggins, and G. W. Brown and adopted.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Education has been agitating the minds of men for ages. For its grand accomplishment means and labor must be sacrificed. There are wonderful possibilities for our young men and women to accomplish if they have the proper chance to bring out the best that is in them.

Our State has a great school system but the books used and the instruction offered we fear does not have the religious tenor that it once had. The Sunday school, the teaching service of the church, should be taken advantage of by one and all, but our leadership in most of places is far from ideal.

Our Baptist schools are a great asset to our denomination. These schools are managed by well trained, God-loving, God-fearing leaders. Under such strong impressive influence the best that there is in one comes to light. Time and eternity will only reveal the worth of those who apply themselves in this way.

D. M. Wheeler, W. E. Coffey, Com.

On motion adjourned.

Wednesday, September 15.

Rev. G. W. Brown read Matt. 6: 1-4 and led in prayer.

After singing, the Association took up the work. Read minutes of previous session and adopted them.

Called roll of delegates and marked absentees.

Roll of Delegates

Boones Fork—W. E. Coffey, I. H. Henderson.
Doe Ridge—A. M. Brown.
Elk—W T Land.
Hopkins Chapel— No delegate.
Laurel Fork—H M Storie, J T Ford, Joe Greene.
Mt Vernon—M W Day, Miss Minnie Day.
Mt Ephraim—C C Triplett, J P Cook, T A Cox.
Mt Paron—G D Watson.
Middle Cane—J W Hendrix.
New Hopewell—No delegation.
Poplar Grove—No delegation.
Rock Springs—J T Woods.
Rock View—J J Wheeler, J F Robbins, Walter Eller.
Watauga—No delegation.
Yellow Hill—John Beshears.

W. A. Proffit read Report on Sunday schools. Spoken to by W. A. Proffit, Rev. D. M. Wheeler, G. M. Watson, J. Amos Hampton Lee Minton, J. W. Hendrix, G. D. Watson and Lewis Broyhill and adopted.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS

We believe in Sunday school as the place to train the young generation for future church work. We believe that children trained up in Sunday school are much more liable to become Christians and church workers than those that never had that privilege.

We recommend that every church in our association make an effort to maintain an evergreen Sunday school.

We also recomend that each officer and teacher be selected from the church membership as far as practicable.

We would also recommend that each Sunday school should order the literature of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Jesus is our great example as a Sunday school teacher, as we read in his holy word that he entered the synagogues on the Sabbath day and taught the people, expounding and explaining the Scriptures.

W. A. Proffit, J. P. Cook.

J. Amos Hampton read Report on Digest of Church Letters. Spoken to by J. Amos Hampton, W. E. Coffey, and D. M. Wheeler and adopted.

STATE OF CHURCHES — DIGEST OF LETTERS

Last year 13 churches report for Pastors' Salaries, $967.26.
This year 12 churches report for Pastors' Salaries, $752.53.

Last year 10 churches report gains by baptism,	74.
This year 7 churches report gains by baptism,	57.
Last year 6 churches gave to Missions,	$188.97.
This year 5 churches gave to Missions,	$114.55.
Last year 3 churches gave to the Orphanage,	$121.92.
This year 4 churches gave to the Orphanage,	$ 41.93.

Sunday Schools

Last year 12 Sunday schools total enrollment,	921.
This year 10 Sunday schools total enrollment,	860.

Last year 1 B.Y.P.U. reported; this year, 2 reported.

Last year 14 churches total membership reported,	1,395.
This year 12 churches reported total membership,	1,172.

J. Amos Hampton, W. E. Coffey, Com.

Miss Minnie Day read the Report on Orphanage. Spoken to by Miss Minnie Day, D. M. Wheeler, G. M. Watson, J. A. Hampton, and Thos. Miller and adopted.

ORPHANAGE

There is nothing purer than an innocent child's love and devotion to its parents, and nothing that appeals more strongly to the sympathies of every true man or woman than a child deprived of its natural parents.

So far as possible through human agencies, the Baptist Orphanage at Thomasville is attempting to supply this deprivation to those of our denomination who are so unfortunate. The applicants for admittance to this institutian far surpasses its capacity, and every year worthy, needy are being turned away unaided.

A wise plan for support has been devised by the Manager through monthly Sunday-school collections and special Thanksgiving offerings. Let the churches of this association keep constantly before their respective organizations this pressing need, inform themselves through Charity and Children, and lend the most hearty support to this worthy and needy cause.

Minnie Day,
F. M. Huggins.

Report on Woman's Work was read by Miss Minnie Day. Spoken to by Miss Minnie Day, D. M. Wheeler, Mrs. Dellie Cox, and adopted.

WOMAN'S WORK

We believe the outstanding feature of the Woman's Missionary Union is service. Then we should ask ourselves how we may serve best. II. Timothy 2: 15, "Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." We must study the Bible and the different

mission causes in order that we may render our best service. We do things because we see the necessity of doing them.

We believe that it is through prayer and work that all good is accomplished.

"I know not by what methods rare;
But this I know, God answers prayer.
I know not when He sends the word
That tells us fervent prayer is heard.
I know it cometh sooner or later;
Therefore we need to pray and wait."

We want to urge upon the women of this association to unite and help in this great work.

Ethel Day,
Della Cox.

Afternoon Session

After enjoying a bountiful dinner, reassembled, and after singing, R. L. Brown led in prayer.

Report on B.Y.P.U. was read by Miss Minnie Day. Spoken to by Miss Minnie Day, W. A. Proffit, D. M. Wheeler, R. L Barnes, and Lee Minton and adopted.

B. Y. P. U. REPORT

If our churches are to keep up their present standard and make progress in the future, they must have trained leadership. The purpose of the B.Y.P.U. is to train for such service. Therefore be it enjoined upon the present leaders of every church of this association to see to it that each church gives its young people this training thereby deepening their religious lives as well as preparing the future leadership of the church.

Minnie Day, W. A. Proffit.

Report on Obituaries read and adopted.

OBITUARIES

The reports from the various churches show the deaths of fifteen of their members in the past year. In behalf of the association, we extend to the bereft ones our heart-felt sympathy and commend them to the Lord that doeth all things well, trusting that our loss is heaven's gain.

I. H. Henderson, H. M. Story.

Report on Temperance was read by J. Amos Hampton. Spoken to by J. Amos Hampton, D. M. Wheeler, R. B. Barnes. Adopted.

TEMPERANCE

We your committee on Temperance urge that our preachers in this association preach temperance; also, that our churches stand for temperance, and that our members abstain from all intoxicating bev-

erages, because wine is a mocker and strong drink is raging and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise.

We further insist on all our good people to stand for law enforcement against the whiskey evil.

J. T. Ford, Joel E. Green, J. W. Hendrix.

Read and adopted

TREASURER'S REPORT

Received for Minute Fund		$44.75
"	for Orphanage,	2.92
"	for State Missions,	7.50
"	Co-operative Missions,	14.70
	Total,	$59.87

Received from delegates for clerk hire on past year's service. Mt. Vernon $1, Mt. Ephraim $1, Poplar Grove $1, Laurel Fork $1, Rock View $1, Yellow Hill $1, Boones Fork $1. Total, $7.00.

Due Clerk on last year's hire, - - - - - $1.44.

Disbursements:

Paid to Walters Durham,		
For State Missions,		$ 7.50
Co-operative Missions,		14.70
To F. B. Hamrick, Orphanage,		2.92
To Printer and Mailing,		26.50
Paid on Clerk hire,		8.25
Total,		$59.87

Due Clerk on last year's hire,	$1.44
" this "	6.75
Total Due Clerk,	$8.19

J. Amos Hampton, Clerk and Treas.

W. A Proffit read the report on Finance. Adopted.

FINANCE REPORT

Received for Minute Fund,		$34.20
"	Hospitals, Mt. Ephraim Ch.	5.01
Public Collection for Hospitals,		5.55
Total,		$44.76

Allowed Clerk for his services $15.00.

Handed in on amount due Clerk from last year: Elk 75c., Mt. Ephraim .75, Boones Fork .75, Mt. Vernon .75. Total, $3.00.

Due Clerk, $5.19.

W. A. Proffit, W. T. Land, Com.

On motion by G. M. Watson, empowered the Executive Committee to apportion the amount that each church in the association should raise to finance the association's printing and clerk hire.

Miss Minnie Day read the Report on Hospitals. Spoken to by Miss Minnie Day, D. M. Wheeler and G. M. Watson. Adopted.

HOSPITALS

There is no better way to win one's confidence and respect than to render service to one who is in physical distress or need. No one feels the need of being surrounded by God-fearing people more than when one feels that one may be nearing the end of this life's journey. The Baptist people of our State recognize this fact in the establishment of the Baptist Hospital at Winston-Salem, where we can care for our sick by those who can administer the spiritual needs at the same time of administering to the physical needs. Also, we can give this aid to those who are unable to secure it otherwise.

We ought to be proud of the opportunity to support such an institution to the utmost.

Mrs. T. M. Wheeler, M. W. Day, Minnie Day.

G. M. Watson read report on Ministerial Relief and discussed it. Report adopted.

MINISTERIAL RELIEF

We, your committee on Ministerial Relief, wish to call your attention to the fact that our aged ministers have not had the care that they should, seeing they have hazzarded their lives for the Master's cause and now become aged and infirm, unable to render further service. And we urge that our churches see to it that they donate into the treasury a sufficient amount to bear their part of the burden. There has only been a very little contributed for this purpose.

J. W. Hendrix, G. M. Watson, Com.

Report on Nominations was read by J. Amos Hampton and adopted. See first page of this Minute.

Report of Associational Missionary was read by D. M. Wheeler and adopted.

REPORT

Received from Elk church,	$60.49
To J. Amos Hampton and myself.	
Received from G. W. Sabastian,	5.00
J. P. Cook and wife,	3.00
C. C. Triplett,	2.25
Middle Cane church,	2.50
Rock Springs,	3.30
Dr. Joe Hodges,	4.00

Marion Coffey,	2 50
Bailey Camp, (Mission point)	8.25
Lay Town " "	14.50
New Hopewell " "	3 40
Mt. Vernon church,	4.30
Poplar Grove church,	5 50
Total amount received,	$118.99

I have preached in most all the churches and at mission points and held several revivals resulting in about forty professions.

D. M. Wheeler.

Read and adopted report on

PLACE AND PREACHER

It is requested that the 66th annual session of the Stony Fork Association convene with Elk Baptist Church on Tuesday after the second Sunday in September 1927.

Annual sermon by Eld. D. M. Wheeler. Eld. J. A. Hampton, alt.

M. W. Day, J. J. Wheeler, Com.

On motion by J. Amos Hampton the Association ask each church in the association to make an offering to Elk Baptist Church to help them out of debt on their church building.

By motion of G. M. Watson, Rev. D. M. Wheeler was re-elected Associational Missionary.

On motion by W. T. Land, the Association asks that each church contribute liberally to Bro. D. M. Wheeler as Missionary.

Read and adopted report on

PASTORAL SUPPORT

We believe that a man that is born again of the Spirit and is called of God is the man to go into all the world and preach the gospel to warn sinners of all classes to flee the wrath to come, to expound and explain the Scriptures to every creature and to enable the ministers to perform such duties it is the indispensible duty of the churches to see to it that the ministers of the gospel are amply supplied with means that may enable them to go forth in performance of such duties, and we further recommend that all the churches of this association appoint a special committee to see after and advise the different churches of this association that they perform this special duty to give sufficiently of their means to enable the ministers to perform their duties. Resp'y. submitted.

G. M. Watson, W. T. Land, Com.

Read and adopted report on

RESOLUTIONS

We your committee wish to submit the following:

1st Be it resolved, That we, the Stony Fork Association, do express our greatest thanks to the Rock View Church for their good hospitality shown us in this association and the bountiful dinner served at the church.

2d We recommend that the Association express their gratitude and thanks to the Moderator and Clerk for their efficient services.

W. E. Coffey, H. M. Story, Com.

The Moderator appointed Rev. G. W. Watson to close the session. After some remarks by Bro. Watson, the choir sang Parting Hand, while the audience gave to each other their hands, under the power and fellowship of the Spirit.

Church Treasurers and P. O.

Boones Fork—	Merritt Coffey,	Shulls Mills,	N. C.
Doe Ridge—	Alice Brown,	Boone,	"
Elk—	W. A. Proffit,	Denny,	"
Hopkins Chapel—	No report.		
Laurel Fork—	J. G. Storie,	Blowing Rock,	"
Mt. Vernon—	T. M. Cook,	Blowing Rock,	"
Mt. Ephraim—	C. T. Simmons,	Triplett,	"
Mt. Paron—	G. D. Watson,	Deep Gap,	"
Middle Cane—	J. W. Hendrix,	Stony Fork,	"
New Hopewell—	David Coffey,	Gragg,	"
Poplar Grove—	W. R. Anderson,	Vilas,	"
Rock Springs—	J. T. Woods,	Darby,	"
Rock View—	J. F. Robbins,	Triplett,	"
Watauga—	L. M. Hodges,	Banner Elk,	"
Yellow Hill—	H. L. Beshears,	Summit,	"

TABLE I. STATISTICAL

CHURCH	PASTOR & P. O.	CLERK & P. O.	Baptism	Letteas	Statements	Restoration	Losses: Letters	Exclusions	Deaths	Total Present Members
Boones Fork	Tipton Greene, Upton, N.C.	Etta Gragg, Shulls Mills NC		1	..	..	2	3	1	91
Doe Ridge	G. W. Brown, Boone	Alice Brown, Boone "					1		2	13
Elk	D. M. Wheeler, Bamboo	F. L. Dula, Ferguson	6	3			2		2	44
Hopkins Chap'l										
Laurel Fork	D M Wheeler, Bamboo	J G Storie, Blowing Rock	30	2			1		1	151
Mt Vernon	G W Sabastian, N Wilkesboro	G F Critcher, Boone	1				7	3	4	248
Mt Ephraim	G W Sabastian "	V M Greer, Triplett	3	1	1		1	2		178
Mt Paron	No pastor	G D Watson, Deep Gap	2	1		1			1	33
Middle Cane	T S Robbins, Stony Fork	J W Hendrix, Stony Fork							3	35
New Hopewell	John McGuire, Linville	David Coffey, Gragg	3					1	1	101
Poplar Grove	L B Murry, State Road	W R Anderson, Vilas	3		1	2	1			158
Rock Springs	Henry Smith, Deep Gap	J T Woods, Darby					3			63
Rock View	G M Watson, Darby	T A Miller, Stony Fork	8	1				2		43
Watauga	N S Hampton, Pinola	Mrs L M Hodges, Banner Elk		1		1		8		152
Yellow Hill	David E Lee, Summit	H L Beshears, Summit	7	8			2	2	1	121

STATISTICAL TABLE— Continued

Churches	Sat. & Sunday of Meeting	Location of Church	When Constituted	Revival Meetings	Families taking Recorder	Materials Used	Persons Seated	No. Rooms	Value of Ch. Property
Boones Fork	2	Country	.....	1	..	Wood	200	One	1000
Doe Ridge	4	Country		1		Wood		One	250
Elk	2	Country	1926	2		Wood	400	One	2000
Hopkins Chap'l									
Laurel Fork	3	Country	1855	1		Wood	500	One	1500
Mt Vernon	4	Country	1866	1	4	Wood	650	One	2000
Mt Ephraim	1	Country	1856	2	4	Wood	200	One	1000
Mt Paron	1	Country	1887	1		Wood	200	One	300
Middle Cane	3	Country	1911	1		Wood	400	One	900
New Hopewell	4	Country	1877	1		Wood	300	One	400
Poplar Grove	4	Country	1872	1	2	Wood	226	One	400
Rock Springs	1	Country	1891	1		Wood	300	One	600
Rock View	4	Country	1923	1		Wood	200	One	200
Watauga	3	Country	1844	1		Wood	300	One	3000
Yellow Hill	3	Country	1850	1	2	Wood	400	One	800

B. Y. P. U. REPORT

Mt. Vernon has a Senior B. Y. P. U. and a Junior B. Y. P. U. Miss Ethel Day is president of the Senior, and Miss Glenda Hampton is president of the Juniors.

Yellow Hill has a B.Y.P.U. just organized and there is no president named.

TABLE II.— FINANCIAL

Churches	Pastor's Salary	Ministeri- Help	Building & Repairs	Incident- als	S S & B Y P U Exp	Local Poor	Minute Fund etc	Other Objects	HOME TOTAL	Co-operat- tive Prg'm	Home Missions	State & as. Missions	Orphan- age	Denomina tional total	GRAND TOTAL
Boones Fork	48.30	17.31	.....	19.75	12.60	5.73	4.10	.....	107.79	.....	.....	.....	5.00	.....	112.79
Doe Ridge	30.00						1.00		31.00						31.00
Elk	60.00		1050.00	18.75	3.66		1.70		1134.01						1134.01
Hopkins Chap'l	No report.														
Laurel Fork	73.50			2.00	6.30		3.25		85.05				2.23		87.28
Mt Vernon	174.35	45.65			43.25		10.00		325.32		20.61	22.00	27.93	72.54	397.86
Mt Ephraim	50.10	41.50		2.00	8.00		3.15		122.75					5.01	127.76
Mt Paron	9.25	14.00			5.00		1.25		29.50						29.50
Middle Cane	40.00	10.00	10.00		1.00	5.00	1.50		67.50						67.50
New Hopewell	35.00	10.25	1.15			30.15	1.00	1.00	91.54						91.54
Poplar Grove	111.45	11.42	100.00		21.36	12.50	5.00		261.73	16.30		5.50	.50	261.73	286.73
Rock Springs	20.00						1.00		21.00						21.00
Rock View	50.00				2.50		2.00		54.50						54.50
Watauga	109.68	33.75	15.00	1.55	17.94	8.25	3.00	2.70	201.12	15.00		10.00	5.00	30.00	231.12
Yellow Hill	90.35		8.00	5.00	24.13	25.00	2.25		134.63				4.00	4.00	138.63

Mt. Vernon reports: Other Salaries $52.07.

Mt Ephraim: Other Salaries $18.00, Hospitals $5.01. Poplar Grove: Ministerial Relief $2.20. Watauga: Other Salaries $9.25. All in above totals.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TABLE

CHURCHES	SUPT. & P. O.	SECRETARY	Officers and Teachers	Beginners 3-5	Primaay 6-8	Juniors 9-12	Intermediate 13-16	Senior 17-up	Cradle Roll	Home Dept	Total Enrolled	Average Attendance	Teachers with Diplomas	Baptims	Gifts to Local Church Work	Missions and Orphanage
Boones Fork	Milton Coffey, Shulls Mills	Mrs Merritt Coffey	6	12	8	.....	8	15	4	..	53	43	..	..	7.00	.....
Doe Ridge	No Report.															
Elk	W. A. Proffit, Denny	Mollie Proffit	4		18	18		18			54	45			6.39	
Hopkins Chap'l	No Report.															
Laurel Fork	H M Storie, Blowing Rock		5								50	30				2.23
Mt Vernon	W J Cook, Boone	N L Harrison	12	18	20	28	20	78			176	77	4			37.32
Mt Ephraim	C C Triplett, Triplett	Virgil Cox	6	20	12	8	14	13			73					
Mt Paron	G D Watsen, Deep Gap	E L Watson	4								50	30				
Middle Cane	W M Minton, Mt. Zion		3								62	25				
New Hopewell	L E Gragg, Gragg		3								40				6.58	
Poplar Grove	P M Williams, Shulls Mills	Essie Winkler	8	15	12	14	16	48	18	8	139	60		3		27.00
Rock Springs	No Report.															
Rock View	Lee Minton, Triplett	Verta Carroll	3	7	11	15	5	22	12		80	40				
Watauga	L M Hodges, Banner Elk	Mary Fox	10	39	25	10	16	50			150	75	1			
Yellow Hill	Lillie Beshears, Summit	Nancy Beshears	12	10	13	17	16	54			112	62		7		

Mt. Vernon School is graded. —None Standard A-1. —All in country.

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OF THE

66th Annual Session

OF THE

Stony Fork Baptist Association

HELD WITH

ELK BAPTIST CHURCH

WATAUGA COUNTY, N. C.

SEPTEMBER 13 AND 14, 1927

REV. D. M. WHEELER, Moderator, Bamboo, N. C.
REV. B. F. Wilcox, Clerk-Treas., Shulls Mills, N. C.

Next session to be held at Watauga church, 12 miles west of Boone, 10 a. m. Tuesday after 2d Sunday in September 1928.

Annual sermon by Eld. Oscar Dellenger;
Alt. Eld. B. F. Wilcox.

Will H. McGuire's Print, Brookside, N. C.

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STONY FORK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

NOMINATIONS

D. M. Wheeler Moderator,	Blowing Rock, N. C.
Z. T. Greene Clerk,	Shulls Mills, N. C.
B. F. Wilcox Pastor,	Shulls Mills, N. C.
W E Coffey Layman Worker,	Blowing Rock, N C
Minnie Day Woman's Work, Box 114	Blowing Rock, N C
Mrs N L Harrison B Y P U worker.	
N L Harrison Sunday school Worker,	Blowing Rock, N C
C C Triplett	Triplett, N C
Miss Nancy Beshears	Summit, N C
Mrs J A Hampton	Blowing Rock, N C

TO BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION

Rev D M Wheeler	Bamboo, N C
Rev G M Watson	Triplett, N C
N L Harrison	Blowing Rock, N C

Fifth Sunday Meeting Workers:

B F Wilcox, Joe Wheeler, N L Harrison.

Correspondence:

To Three Forks, W D Ashley.
Ashe, John Beshears.
Brushy Mountain, W A Proffit.
Caldwell, G M Watson.
Avery, B F Wilcox, G M Watson, G W Brown.

Ordained Ministers

Ashley, W. D.	Blowing Rock, N. C.
Brown, G W	Boone, "
Brown, A M	"
Barnes, R L	"
Church, W N	Summit, "
Church, J W	"
Dillinger, Oscar	Linville, N. C.
Robbins, Edd S	Blowing Rock, "
Greer, R G	Fleetwood, "
Miller, M D	Triplett, "

Wheeler, D M	Bamboo, N. C.
Wilcox, B F	Shulls Mills, "
Watson, G M	Darby, "
Watson, Luster	Deep Gap, "

Standing Committees For 1928

Order of Business—Moderator.
Pastoral Support—Z. T. Greene.
Temperance—L M Hodges.
Periodicals—N L Harrison.
Sunday Schools—J W Harrison.
Christian Education—Miss Minnie Day.
Digest of Letters—Joe Wheeler.
Obituaries—G M Watson.
Woman's Work—Miss Ethel Day.
B Y P U—Miss Glenda Hampton.
Missions—W E Coffey.
Hospitals—C C Triplett.
Ministerial Relief—Henry Beshears.
Orphanage—Mrs L M Hodges.
Resolutions—B F Wilcox.
Place and Preacher—W A Proffit.
Finance—Clingman Hodges.

Roll of Delegates

Rock View—Lee Minton, Walter Eller, Albert Greer.
Watauga—L M Hodges, A J Townsend, Troy Townsend.
Yellow Hill—H L Beshears, John Beshears, D E Baker.
Doe Ridge—A M Brown, G W Brown.
Elk—F L Dula, W A Proffit, Edd Jones.
Boone's Fork—Milton Coffey, Earle Coffey, I H Henderson.
Middle Cane—W M Minton, J W Hendrix, R Linney Banner,
Mt Ephraim—C C Triplett, Joe Wheeler, M D Miller.
Mt Vernon—J W Harrison, M W Day, N L Harrison.
New Hopewell—L E Gragg, Dewie Coffey, I D Coffey, D J Coffey.
Poplar Grove—Collis Austin.
Rock Spring—John Woods.

PROCEEDINGS

Stony Fork Baptist Association met with Elk church Tuesday, Sept. the 13th 1927 in its 67th annual session.

After singing by the congregation, Rev. D. M. Wheeler read 1 & 2 verses of 54 ch of Isaiah. B. F. Wilcox led in prayer.

Rev. A. C. Hamby preached the annual sermon. Text, 54 ch. of Isaiah, 1-2 verses.

Appointed Bro. Joe Wheeler clerk pro tem.

Called for correspondents and visitors: Rev. L. C. Wilson from Three Forks, W. S. Greene, George McNeil and D.K. Greene from Caldwell accepted seats.

On motion went into the election of officers. Rev. A. C. Hamby cast the vote of the association in favor of D. M. Wheeler Moderator and B. F. Wilcox clerk.

Order of Business read by B. F. Wilcox and received.

A motion to refer the letters of the churches to committee on Digest of letters.

A motion prevailed to empower the Moderator and Clerk to make all temporary appointments. The following coms. were appointed:

Temperance, W. D. Ashley F. L. Dula, J. E. Woods.

Periodicals, M W Day, Miss Ethel day, J W Harrison.

Sunday Schools, L M Hodges, H L Beshears, N L Harrison.

Digest of Letters, W E Coffey, Joe Wheeler, N L Harrison.

Obituaries, H M Story, G M Watson.

Woman's Work, Miss Minnie Day, Miss D K Greene, Emmer Dula.

State Missions, N L Harrison, Rev A C Hamby.

Home Missions, L M Hodges, W M Minton, Rev L C Wilson.

Foreign Missions, B F Wilcox, A M Brown, Wesley Greene,

Christian Education, C C Triplett, G W Brown.

Hospitals, L E Gragg, T N Cook, John Beshears, L C Wilson.

Ministerial Relief, D M Wheeler, Mrs Joe Wheeler, Mattie McNeil, J W Hendrix.

Orphanage, Mrs Z T Greene, W A Proffit, D K Greene.

B Y P U Work, Mrs James Hampton, Mrs W A Jones, G W Triplett.

Resolutions, W J Cook, M D Miller, Lee Minton.

Place and Preacher, W E Coffey, D E Baker, Henry Beshears.

Finance, J W Harrison, I H Henderson, and Joe Wheeler.

Adjourned for dinner 1 hour. Benediction by Rev. M D. Miller.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Singing by choir. Rev. A. M. Brown led in prayer.

Rev. A. C. Hamby read the report Progressive [?] Program.

Spoken to by A. C. Hamby, Rev. L. C. Wilson and adopted.

BAPTIST CO OPERATIVE PROGRAM

The General Board of the Baptist State Convention at its June meeting adopted $600,000 as the goal for North Carolina Baptists to raise in 1928 for all the objects included in the Co-operative Program, except the Orphanage.

This objective is to be divided equally between State-wide and South-wide objects as follows:

Out of each dollar given, unless otherwise designated, the objects will receive the following amounts:

State-wide Objects		South-wide Objects	
State Missions	23 cents	Foreign Missions	25 cents
Baptist Schools	23 cents	Home Missions	11¼ cts
Baptist Hospital	4 cents	Theological Seminaries	8¼ cts
		Ministers' Relief	4½ cts
		New Orleans Hospital	1 cent
Totals,	50 cents		50 cents

In co-operation with the other associations in the State we recommend that this association adopt the above ratio of division of its funds and that it set as its goal for 1928 $200.00, which is a little more than the association raised for the objects included in the Co-operative Program for 1926; that this amount be apportioned upon as fair and equitable a basis as possible among all of the churches of the association by the Executive Committee of the association, or by a special committee; and that each church endeavor to raise its objective by making an every member canvass Dec. 4-11, the South-wide date set or at such other time as may seem best, or to raise it by some other method adopted by the church.

In order that this Every-member Canvass be successful, we would recommend further that the most thorough and prayerful preparation be made, beginning several weeks in advance, giving information about the objects included in the Program, and thoroughly indoctrinating the people with the idea of stewardship.

PLEDGES FOR MISSIONS

Poplar Grove $23.55; Mt Paron $4.95; Laurel Fork 22.50; Hopkins Chapel $3.90; Rock Springs $9.44; Rock View $6.30; Yellow Hill $17.40; Watauga $22.80; Doe Ridge $6.00; New Hopewell $14.95; Mt Vernon $34.35; Mt Ephraim $26.25; Middle Cane 4.35 Elk $6.15; Boone's Fork $14.10. Total, $216.99.

W. E. Coffey, N. L. Harrison, Joe Wheeler, Committee.

Report on State Missions read by N. L. Harrison and received.

STATE MISSIONS

There are some sections of this State where the people do not know the "Gospel" and are not trying much to learn about it, and it seems that this is the best way to reach these people, send help by and through the churches. These people are just as good by nature as other people and when once enlightened, make good workers and loyal church members. So if we have a mission, some of it at least, ought to be "State."

The "Truth" as taught in the New Testament, is the only method for the salvation and progress of our people, and if we are Missionary Baptists surely we will liberally support State Missions.

N. L. Harrison.

Report on Home Missions read by L. C. Wilson and received

HOME MISSIONS

What is Home Missions?

This is a farreaching and comprehensive question that the Baptist of the South are called upon to answer.

It can be truly said that Home Missions is the heart and soul of every department of our work. The question that should be answered by every church, every preacher and every individual member is Do I believe in the great cause of missions or in giving the gospel to the lost nation of earth. Do we feel from the deep of our hearts that God has laid this mighty task upon us. Do we feel that when Jesus commanded to go into all the world and preach the gospel that he was talking to the Baptist. Do we recognize this great commission the most exalted privilege on earth. For 82 years of the history of the Southern Baptist Convention we have been doing our work in its present form.

How inspiring and encouraging are our achievements but we are humiliated when we are brought face to face with our awful failure.

Responsibility rests upon no people as it rests upon the Baptists. The great influx of foreign elements into the U. S every year with all forms of false religions or no religion, besides such a vast multitude of unsaved already at our doors makes a mighty task. But God who has led us to wonderful victories in the past can and will give still greater victories when we awake to our duty and obligation to a lost world. May loyalty to the cause of Missions be the war cry of every man. Enlistment of the membership of every church in the support of all the departments of our work will mean the uplift and enlargement of the Stony Fork association.

Let every pastor go back to his churches determined to be more faithful in informing his people as to their blessed privilege and as

well as to the obligation that we owe to God to give the gospel to a lost world.

L. C. Wilson, L. M. Hodges, W. M. Minton.

Report on Foreign Missions read by B. F. Wilcox and received.

FOREIGN MISSIONS

The foundation of the missionary movement, and all religious activity was laid by Christ, the highest expression of God's love to a lost world. To know Him is life eternal. Not to know Him is death eternal. There are vast multitudes that do not know that Jesus atoned for their redemption on Calvary, nor what is required to be saved. So we have the plain command of our Lord to go and tell the gospel message to the nations. This responsibility rests upon all who have met with Him in regeneration.

Since the 75-Million campaign ended a great many have declined, wonderfully declined, in giving to sustain the work the Lord is depending on us. Shall we fail Him?

Our Boards are in a distressed condition, overwhelmed in debt. No new recruits can be sent out and can hardly sustain the workers already in the field. It seems to us that there should be a general drive made so our people may wake up to the needs of this all-important work. Oh brethren and sisters let us march out under the blood stained banner of our blessed Lord until the kingdoms of this world may become the kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

Signed, B. F. Wilcox.

Reports spoken to by Rev. L. C. Wilson, Rev. A. C. Hamby, D. M. Wheeler and G. M. Watson and adopted.

Report on Christian Education read by C. C. Triplett. Spoken to by C. C. Triplett, D. M. Wheeler, L. C. Wilson, G. W. Brown and adopted.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Education should arouse the minds of men more yearly, but of course it has been agitating them for several ages. But not so much aroused are the minds, as is the importance of education. Education is for our young people to accomplish if they only have the proper chance.

Our State has great school systems to offer one and all, but we somewhat fear and doubt the teachings from the books used. Indeed, we think that they do not contain the religious teachings that they should. The Sunday school should be attended and taken advantage of by and all.

The Baptist schools are great assistance and helps to our denomination. These schools are governed by well trained, God devoted,

God fearing leaders. Time will only disclose the benefit and value of those who render themselves in this way. Christian Education is one of the greatest things that can be applied, more, to our State.

C. C. Triplett, Com.

Report on Woman's Work read by Mrs. D. K. Greene. Spoken to by Cora Greer, D. M. Wheeler, Rev. L. C. Wilson and adopted.

WOMAN'S WORK

The women of the Baptist church of our State are perhaps contributing more toward the advancement of our Master's Kingdom, by organizing their little bands for the various churches and uniting in their donations, their prayers, and personal service, than any other definite organization.

We would enjoin upon the women of the various churches of our association to unite and contribute their mite toward helping in this great cause; that we reach for what our hands can find to do, and invest our lives unitedly in His service.

We would urge the pastors to advocate this work and encourage it in their pastorates. Respectfully submitted.

Minnie Day, Com.

Report on B. Y. P. U. Work read by Cora Greer. Spoken to by Mrs. G. C. Allen, D. M. Wheeler, W. M. Minton, N. L. Harrison, and adopted.

B. Y. P. U.

The BYPU organization is supposed to be the training school of the Baptist church and it is surely a much needed factor. It is a training the young members need as much as the soldier needs his training.

By training and service we learn to do.

Our pastors possibly do all they can to instruct the young members but a once- or twice-a-month lecture is not supposed to be adequate as a real lesson in service 4 or 5 times a month. In the BYPU we get real service and study which Paul says "Study to show thyself approved unto God a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth".

Mrs. J. Amos Hampton, Mrs W. A. Jones

Report on Ministerial Relief read by Mrs. Joe Wheeler, spoken to by N. L. Harrison and adopted.

MINISTERIAL RELIEF

We wish to call your attention to the fact that our aged ministers have not the care that they should seeing that they have spent the best part of their lives for the Master's cause now become disable to render further service.

And we recommend that our churches see to it that they donate in a sufficient amount of money to take care of these aged and infirm ministers.

Mattie McNeil
Mrs. Joe Wheeler
Rev. D.M. Wheeler

Adjourned to meet 9 a. m. Wednesday morning. Devotional by G. W. Brown. Rev. L. C. Wilson to preach 7: 30 tonight.

Prayer by B. F. Wilcox.

WEDNESDAY MORNING

Song by the choir. Rev. G. W. Brown read some verses of Scripture in the latter part of the 24 ch. of Luke and led in prayer.

Report on Temperance read by F. L. Dula. Spoken to by Geo. McNeil, L. C. Wilson and A. M. Brown and adopted.

TEMPERANCE

We your Com. on Temperance urge that our preachers preach temperance and do everything in their power to put down the evils of strong drink which is one of the greatest agencies of the devil to drag precious souls down to eternal night.

We insist on law enforcement and all Christians can do something along this line. Work and pray that the stronghold of this most destructive device may be uprooted and the power of the Holy Spirit may overcome and righteousness may reign in the hearts and minds of our people. Respectfully submitted.

F. L. Dula, John Woods.

Report on Periodicals read by N. L. Harrison. Spoken to by Rev G. W. Brown, Rev. L. C. Wilson and adopted.

PERIODICALS

Reading has much to do with one's thinking, and our thinking determines our actions. Therefore we should use great care in selecting our literature The development of all sides of the individual should be carefully considered if we hope to make intelligent citizens.

We must develop every character: industrial, social, political and religious.

Our church depends on the intelligence of the individual, and the leadership of the pastor.

We wish to recommend that the Biblical Recorder, Charity and Children, Christian Herald, Home and Foreign Field, Boys' Weekly and Girls' Weekly be read more among our people.

More good books should be read; of course the Bible should have first place, but there are several others we believe the pastors should recommend to their people.--Ethel Day, J W Harrison, M W Day.

Report on Digest of Letters read by Joe Wheeler. Spoken to by Joe Wheeler, Rev. D. M. Wheeler, N. L. Harrison, C. C. Triplitt and adopted.

DIGEST OF LETTERS

Last year 12 churches report Pastors' Salaries $752. 53.

This year 12 churches report Pastors' Salaries $1,097.83.

Last year 7 churches report gains by Baptism 57; this year five churches report gains by Baptism 24.

Last year 5 churches gave to Missions $114.55; This year six churches gave to Missions $99.82.

Last year 4 churches gave to Orphanage $41.93; this year five churches gave to Orphanage $174.10.

Last year10 Sunday schools, total enrollment 800; this year 10 Sunday schools total enrollment 844.

Last year 2 B.Y.P.U's.; this year 1 B.Y.P.U.

Last year 12 churches reported total membership 1,172; this year 12 churches report total membership 1,206. Total gain 34.

W. E. Coffey, N. L. Harrison, Joe Wheeler, Com.

Report on Pastoral Support read by W. A. Proffit. Spoken to by L. C. Wilson, I. H. Henderson and adopted.

PASTORAL SUPPORT

[No Report appears in the Manuscript.—Printer.]

Report on Orphanage read by W. A. Proffitt. Spoken to by W. A. Proffitt, D. M. Wheeler, L. C. Wilson, W. E. Coffey. Adopted.

ORPHANAGE

There is nothing purer than an innocent child's love and devotion to its parents, and nothing that appeals more strongly to the sympathies of every true man and woman than a child deprived of its natural parents. So far as possible through human agency the Baptist Orphanage at Thomasville is attempting to supply this deprivation to those of our denomination who are so unfortunate.

The applicants for admission to this institution far surpasses its capacity and every year worthy needy ones are turned away.

A wise plan for support has been devised by the Manager thru monthly Sunday school collections and special Thanksgiving offerings

Let the churches of this association keep constantly before these respectively organization this pressing need. [Like copy.]

Inform themselves through Charity and Children and lend the most hearty support to this worthy and needy cause.

W. A. Proffitt, D. K. Greene.

Report on Sunday Schools read by N. L Harrison. Spoken to by N. L. Harrison and adopted.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS

We recommend that every church in the Stony Fork association make special effort to maintain an "Evergreen Sunday School."

We believe that we Baptist ought to get our literature from the Southern Baptist folks, and get all teachers and officers from the church. We get this authority from the fact that Christ taught this and that He himself was a teacher in the synagogue on the Sabbath day. We further believe that when this is done, the Sunday school is the best place on earth to "train" the youth and even adults.

No doubt but the S. S. is the greatest educational and moralizing factors we or any other people have. Would all the Delegates at this conference help to make their Sunday schools 13% better this next year?

N. L. Harrison, }
H. L. Beshears, } Com.

Report on Obituaries read by G. M. Watson and adopted.

OBITUARIES

The reports from the various churches show the deaths of nine of their members in the past year. In behalf of the association we extend our heart-felt sympathies to the bereft ones, trusting our loss is heaven's gain.

Weep not for them dear loved ones left,
They have gone to Jesus who loved them best.
They now will praise the worthy King
And with angels make heaven ring.

G. M. Watson, H. M. Storie, Com.

Report on Place and Preacher read by W. L. Coffey. Adopted.

PLACE AND PREACHER

It is requested that the 67th annual session of the Stony Fork Baptist association convene with Watauga Baptist church on Tuesday after the second Sunday in September 1928.

Annual sermon by Oscar Dellenger, Alt. B. F. Wilcox.

D. E. Baker, H. L. Beshears, W. E. Coffey Chairman.

Report on Resolutions read by G. M. Watson and adopted.

RESOLUTIONS

We your committee on Resolutions submit the following:

1st. Be it resolved, That we, the Stony Fork association, do express our thanks to Elk Baptist church for their hospitality shown us in this association.

2. We recommend that this association express their gratitude and thanks to the Moderator and the Clerk for their services.

M. D. Miller, Lee Minton, Com.

Adjourned for dinner 1 hour. A bountiful supply was served on the grounds and was enjoyed to the fullest extent.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Song by the CHOIR. Prayer by Rev. D. M. Wheeler.

Called roll and marked absentees.

Report on Hospitals read by N. L. Harrison. Spoken to by G. M. Watson and adopted.

HOSPITALS

We know no better way to win one's confidence and respect than to give service when sick or in distress or need No one feels the need of being surrounded by God fearing people more than when one feels they are nearing the end of this life.

Our Baptist people recognize this fact in the establishment of the Baptist Hospital at Winston-Salem where we can care for our sick and administer to their needs. We can also give this aid to those who are not able to secure it otherwise. We should be glad to support such an institution.

John Beshears,
L. E. Gragg.

Report on Nominations read by G. M. Watson and adopted.

[For list see page 1.]

Report of Associational Missionary, Bro. D. M. Wheeler read and adopted.

REPORT

Report of contributions I received from the following churches and individuals:

J. P Cooke $1.00, C C Triplett $10.25, Mrs C C Triplett $5.00, Poplar Grove $5.50, Mt Vernon ch $4.50, Ward Phillips $1. Will Cooke $2. Bailey's Camp $5.50, G. W Sabastian $5, Dr Joe Hodges $5, Mt Ephraim c $2.35, Tate D D Bros 22. $46.85.

I have visited a good many of the churches, and preached at different places on our mission work, and I feel that the Lord has blessed the work.

Your Missionary,
D. M. Wheeler.

Report on Finance read by Joe Wheeler and adopted.

FINANCE

Received for Minute Fund,		$35.44
Allowed Clerk for his services		15.00
Handed in for Clerk hire last year	Poplar Grove	3.53
	Middle Cane	.50
Co-op. Program		7.50
Total,		$45.72

Joe Wheeler, J. W. Harrison, I. H. Henderson, Com.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Received for Minute Funds,	$35.44	
Handed in for Clerk hire last year,	4.03	
Prog. Program	7.50	
Total,		$46 97

Disbursements:

Paid Mrs. Hampton last year's Minute Fund,	4 03
To Co-op- Program,	7.50
Printing Minutes and Postage,	.....
Paper,	.10
Allowed Clerk,	15.00
Due Clerk,	.....

B. F. Wilcox.

Postage now 15 c.

On motion of the association Rev. D. M. Wheeler was appointed Associational Missionary for another year.

A motion prevailed for the association to meet at 10 a.m. next yr.

A motion prevailed to adjourn the association to meet with Watauga church 12 miles west of Boone in its 67 annual session, annual sermon by Rev. Oscar Dellenger, B. F. Wilcox alternate.

B. F. Wilcox was appointed to close the association. After some touching remarks there was a general hand-shake.

So closed one of the best sessions of our association.

TABLE I.-- STATISTICAL

CHURCHES	PASTORS & P. O.	CLERKS & P. O.	Time of Meeting	When Constituted	Revivals	Families Taking Recorder	Persons Seated	Rooms	Value of Property
Boones Fork	Tipton Greene, Boone	Etta G Estes, Shulls Mills	2		1	2	200	1	1000
Doe Ridge	G W Brown, Boone	Alice A Brown, Boone	4	1905					100
Elk	G W Sabastian, N Wilkesboro	F L Dula, Ferguson	3		1		400		2050
Hopkins Ch'p'l	Not represented.								
Laurel Fork	R H Shore, Blowing Rock	J G Storie, Blowing Rock	2	1855					
Mt Vernon	R C Eggers, Zionville	N L Harrison, "	4	1866		4	650	1	2000
Mt Ephraim	G M Watson, Triplett	V M Greer, Triplet	1	1856	2	3	200	1	1000
Mt Paran	Not represented.								
Middle Cane	G M Watson, Triplet	G W Hendrix, Stony Fork	3	1884			500		1200
New Hopewell	John McGuire, Linville	David Coffey, Gragg	4	1872	1		200		300
Poplar Grove	G W Sabastian, N Wilkesboro	Z T Greene, Shulls Mills	2	1872	1	1	226		5400
Rock Springs	Henry Smith, Deep Gap	J T Woods, Darby							700
Rock View	G M Watson, Triplett	Maggie Robbins, Triplett	4	1923			300		1000
Watauga	N S Hampton, Pineola	Mrs F M Hodges, Banner Elk	3	1844	1		300		3000
Yellow Hill	J M Michael, Pattons Ridge	H L Beshears, Summit	4	1850	1	2	400		1000

Note— All built of wood and located in the country.

TABLE II.-- FINANCIAL

CHURCHES	Pastor's Salary	Ministeri-Help	Building & Repairs	Incident-als	SS- BYPU	Local Poor	Minute Fund	Other Objects	HOME TOTAL	Co-op. Program	Home Missions	State Mis	Orphan-age	Foreign Missions	GRAND TOTAL
Boones Fork	44.10	37.35	.....	14.95	13.20	.....	4.00	1.60	105.20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	105.20
Doe Ridge	25.00	11.00					1.25		37.25						37.25
Elk	77.35		365.00	4.00			1.70		448.05				1 00		449.05
Hopkins Ch'p'l	Not represented.														
Laurel Fork	60.91	17.00	1.80	2.00	5.65		1.25		88.61				3.25		91.86
Mt Vernon	284.50			24.32			10.00	6.50	345.32		25.60	18.60	42 25	7.47	439.74
Mt Ephraim	112 24	32.25			8.00	30.08	3.00		185.57		5.00		14.00		204 57
Mt Paran															
Middle Cane	65.96		15.00			10.00	1.50		93.96		10.00				94.96
New Hopewell	46.50	15.91		1.50		1.88	1.49	3.00	70.28	1 00					71.28
Poplar Grove	99.22	11.63	51.25	13.93	21.06	7.00	4.00	3.00	214.37	9 70	9.75		90.00		327.82
Rock Springs	32.22	5.00					1.00		38.22						38.22
Rock View	33.50				1.60	15.15	2.00	15.15	85.25						85.25
Watauga	125.25		40.00	7.90	16.54	15 00	3.00		207.69	8.00		8.20	18.66	34.86	242.55
Yellow Hill	150.00	50.00	150 00	25.00			1.45								376.45

TABLE III.-- SUNDAY SCHOOLS

CHURCHES	SUPT. P. O.	SEC'Y	Officers and Teachers	Beginners	Primary 6—8	Juniors	Intermediate	Seniors	Cradle Roll	Total Enrollment	Average Attendance	Diplomas	Baptisms	Gifts to Ch. Work	Missions and Orphanage
Boone's Fork	Milton Coffey, Shulls Mills NC	Ruby Richards	6	15	7	...	10	27	4	69	50	..	..	.....	5.15
Dee Ridge	No report					No report									
Elk	W T Jones, Denny	Thelma Jones	7	13		12	24	19		74	50			42.75	
Hopkins Chpl	No report					No report									
Laurel Fork	E L Kerley, Blowing Rock		5							49	35				
Mt Vernon	W J Cook, Boone	N L Harrison	12	20	23	26	34	50		165	95	4		61.43	1.60
Mt Ephraim	C C Triplett, Triplett	V C Cox	6	15		20	12	10		63	40		1	8.00	
Mt Paran	No report														
Middle Cane	W M Minton, Mt Zion	Alice M Hodges	5	8	7	6	6	18	6	56	50			5.00	
New Hopewell	Jerry Coffey, Gragg		2												
Poplar Grove	Collis Austin, Shulls Mills	Ella Austin	9							100				21.54	4.86
Rock Springs	J T Woods, Darby	Bertha Hall	3							30	25				
Rock View	Lee Mintor, Triplett	Wash Hodges	2	10	10	8		37	5	70	40			1.60	
Watauga	L M Hodges, Banner Elk	Mary Jane Fox	10	25	12	15	15	38		115	78	1	6		
Yellow Hill	Lillie Beshears, Summit	Avinell Phillips	8	19	17	26	32			102				16.00	7.54

MINUTES

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Sixty-seventh Annual Session

— Of The —

Stony Fork Baptist Association

— Held With —

WATAUGA CHURCH

Watauga County, N. C.,

September 11 and 12,

1928

REV. D. M. WHEELER, Moderator, Bamboo, N. C.
REV. B. F. WILCOX, Clerk-Treas., Shulls Mills, N. C.

Next session to be held at Sandy Flat church, 2 miles west of Blowing Rock highway 17, on Tuesday after the second Sunday in September 1929, 10 a.m.

Introductory sermon by Eld. G. M. Watson,
Eld. D. M. Wheeler alternate.

Will H. McGuire's Print, Brookside, N. C.

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Sixty-seventh Annual Session

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STONY FORK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Stony Fork Missionary Baptist Association met with Watauga church in its 67th annual session Tuesday Sept. 11, 1928.

After some beautiful singing by the congregation, Rev. D. M. Wheeler read the 3d chapter of Isaiah and led in prayer.

Rev. Oscar Dillinger who was appointed to preach the annual sermon failed to be present, B. F. Wilcox the alternate, occupied the pulpit and read Rev. 12: 1 in connection with I. Tim. 3: 16. Theme: God's mysteries and wonderful manifestation to the world in the person of Christ to establish the church for the salvation of the world. Rev. G. M. Watson led in prayer.

Invited correspondents and visitors: G. W. Robbins Rev. E. M. Gragg from Three Forks and Rev. N. S. Hampton from Avery Co association announced themselves and were seated.

The letters from the churches were handed in and referred to the committee on Digest of Letters.

Called for newly organized churches wishing to join our association. The delegates from Sandy Flat came forward and handed in their letter. Appointed Rev. N. S. Hampton, Lloyd Hodges and Z. T. Greene to examine their Constitution, Articles of Faith &c. and report to the association. Com. report they found the church orthodox in the faith. A motion prevailed to receive the church. Delegates extended hand of fellowship and seated.

Com. appointed on Digest of Letters: Z. T. Greene, Joe Wheeler and N. S. Hampton.

The time of the present officers now expired, proceeded to elect Moderator and Clerk. The present officers were re-elected— Rev. D. M. Wheeler Moderator, B. F. Wilcox Clerk and Treas.

B. F. Wilcox read Order of Business which was adopted.

Rev. P. C. Stringfield from Mars Hill College announced himself as a visitor and was received.

Mod. and Clerk empowered to make all temporary appointments.
Periodicals: N. S. Hampton, P. C. Stringfield.
Education: P C Stringfield, N S Hampton.
Missions: L M Hodges, Z V Brown, Z T Greene.
Sunday Schools: J W Harrison, Edd Robbins.

Hospitals: C C Triplett, G W Robbins, A T Townsend.
Orphanage: Mrs L M Hodges, E M Gragg.
Ministerial Relief: J W Hendrix, G W Brown, G M Watson.
B.Y.P.U.: Sisters Coney Wheeler, Joe Wheeler, D M Hodges.
Woman's Work: Miss Ethel Day, Mrs L M Hodges, Elma Gragg.
Obituaries: G M Watson, Troy Townsend.
Pastoral Support: Z T Greene, Lee Minton, Clifford Shook.
Temperance: L M Hodges, N S Hampton, Edd Robbins.
Resolutions: B F Wilcox, J H Henderson, G W Hodges.
Place and Preacher: W A Proffit, T C Hodges, J W Hendrix, J W Harrison.
Finance: T C Hodges, Simon Townsend.

Adjourned for dinner.

AFTERNOON,— First Day

After a bountiful dinner, returned at 1: 30 and took up the work of the association. After some soul stirring songs by the choir, prayer by Edd Robbins.

Report on Christian Education read by N. S. Hampton. Spoken to by P. C. Stringfield, N. S Hampton, Z. T. Greene, Lee Minton and G. W. Brown and adopted.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

More than 90% of our Baptist missionaries as well as our preachers and denominational workers receive their education and training in our Baptist schools.

In them pupils are taught the Bible along with other subjects, by consecrated, Christian, Baptist teachers. The young people are organized to receive training and do practical Christian work. In connection with each are good Baptist churches with able pastors to help and advise the pupils in their Spiritual life. Also revivals are held annually or oftener where the boys and girls may be won to Christ who may chance to go there otherwise, and rarely does one go there without being converted.

We have just put on the centennial campaign to remove the indebtedness and equip them equally with any other denominational or state schools.

In this day of so great demand for preachers and for leadership, let us patronize our Baptist schools giving our boys and girls the all-round training and development that no State school can give.

Minnie Day, N. S. Hampton, P. C. Stringfield, Com.

Report on Periodicals read by P. C. Stringfield. Spoken to by P C. Stringfield and G. W. Robbins and adopted.

PERIODICALS

Nothing blinds us like ignorance. Nothing is so harmful as the wrong kind of information. Nothing inspires us to the higher life like information about God's people and God's work. Our young people need to read our religious papers if they are to be faithful followers of Jesus. We must put the Bible first in our homes, next we should have our Baptist Sunday school literature and books. The Biblical Recorder should have a place in our homes if we are to be well informed about the Baptist work in our state and south-land. We recommend too the Charity and Children for distribution in our Sunday schools. For information about our mission work we have the Foreign Field. — P. C. Stringfield, N. S. Hampton.

Report on Orphanage read by Mrs. L. M. Hodges. Spoken to by E. M. Gragg, P. C. Stringfield, Miss Ethel Day and N. S. Hampton and adopted.

ORPHANAGE

In the year 1885 the Baptists of North Carolina organized and built a home for orphan children at Thomasville, N. C. Since that time nearly 3000 children have been cared for. Not only are the children fed and clothed, but they are educated along many lines, preparing them for life.

How can this wonderful work be continued? By the Baptist people of N. C. standing behind it and helping it in every way possible. Let us as individuals, as a Sunday school and as a church, examine ourselves and see if we are doing our duty toward helping this worthy organszation, as it depends entirely on the Baptist people for support.

Systematic giving or the once-a-month offering, is a fine way to give for this purpose. We recommend that each church adopt this plan of giving. Not only should we give of our means which God has so bountifully blessed us with, but we should earnestly remember to pray that God will bless and help the great organization at Thomasville, N. C. — Mrs. L. M. Hodges.

We urge a Thanksgiving offering by every church.

Report on Woman's Work read by Miss Ethel Day. Spoken to by Miss Ethel Day, D. M. Wheeler, J. W. Hendrix and N. S. Hampton and adopted.

WOMAN'S WORK

The Baptist women of the State are perhaps contributing more toward advancing the Master's Kingdom than any other branch of the church. Their united prayers, personal service and devotions are reaching far in the Kingdom work.

We recommend that the pastors of the various churches of this association urge the women to organize and do their bit in advancing the cause. Respectfully submitted.

Ethel Day.

A motion prevailed to limit the discussions to one hour on each subject next year.

N. S. Hampton announced homes for delegates.

Adjourned to meet tomorrow at 9 a. m., Rev. Edd Robbins to conduct devotional exercises.

After dismission it was announced that Rev. Edd Robbins preach tonight. Assembled at 7: 30. Bro. Robbins read some verses in 19th chap. of Luke and B. F. Wilcox led in prayer. Text, Luke 19: 3: And he desired to see Jesus who he was and preached a very impressive sermon.

SECOND DAY

The congregation joined in singing Am I a Soldier of the Cross.

Rev Edd Robbins read some verses in 3 chapter of John. Rev. P. A. Hicks led in prayer. Amazing Grace was sung.

The Mod. called the association to order for business.

Extended invitation to correspondents and visitors. Rev. P. A. Hick from Boone responded and was received.

Report on Sunday schools read by J. W. Harrison. Discussed by J. W. Harrison, Edd Robbins, J. W. Hendrix, P. A. Hicks, N. S. Hampton and adopted.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS

We recommend that every church in the Stony Fork association make special effort to maintain an evergreen Sunday school. We believe in Baptist leterature with the Bible, as Christ taught in the synagogue on the Sabbath day and we should study and teach on the Sabbath day. Paul says; Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth. We believe that all the officers and teachers should be members of the church, and the Sunday school is church at work.— J. W. Harrison, E. D. Robbins, Com.

Report on Temperance read by L. M. Hodges and discussed by Rev. Edd Robbins, N. S. Hampton, D. M. Wheeler Z. T. Greene, and adopted.

TEMPERANCE

Wine is a mocker and strong drink is raging and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise. This great question needs our attention It is wrecking many human lives and homes. We should be cautious in selecting officers that are strictly in favor of temperance.

We cannot afford do less than to aid our officers in the enforcement of the law to rid our country of intoxicating liquors that ruin so many of our young people. We indorse and pledge our support to the prohibition laws of our State and nation and urge their full enforcement.— L. M. Hodges, Rev. N. S. Hampton.

Sang How Firm a Foundation. G. W. Brown led in prayer.

Report on Missions read by Z. T. Greene and spoken to by him.

At this time Rev. P. A. Hicks was invited to preach a missionary sermon. Text, John 3: 16: For God so loved the world that He gave his only Son, that whosoever believeth on him should not perish, but have eternal life.

N. S. Hampton spoke to the report which was adopted.

MISSIONS

Jesus commands us to go into all the world and make disciples of all people, baptizing them in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, and to teach them to observe all his commands. He promises to be with us always, if we do this.

In North Carolina last year there were 634 churches that did not make a single disciple, and thousands of churches that made no effort whatever to reach a single soul outside their own borders. In our own dear Stony Fork association more than half the members of Missionary Baptist churches and about half our churches are not missionary at all. Our supreme task then is to enlist the multiplied thousands of our members who are not contributing a penny of that which God has entrusted to them to the on-going of his Kingdom.

May God in his great mercy show us the error of our ways and give us the grace necessary to do our duty!

Z. T. Greene, L. M. Hodges, Z. V. Brown.

Committee appointed for budget to finance the general work : Z. T. Greene and Merritt Coffey.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Prayer by P. A. Hicks.

Report on Hospitals read by G. W. Robbins. Discussed by G. W. Robbins, G. M. Watson, N. S. Hampton and adopted.

HOSPITAL

The Bible tells us that Jesus went about doing good and healing the sick. Trying to imitate our Master in this part of his work, our Baptists of N. C. have built and are maintaining our hospital at Winston-Salem, N. C. We have there a wonderful institution; wonderful in its accommodations, in its facilities for helping the sick and in its ministry of love. There you will find the Christian spirit dominant in every phase of hospital life. With the meager income

that we give our hospital it is doing a marvelous work. During the past year it has cared for about 2000 patients, about 500 of whom were charity patients. Most of them were sent back home well and happy. These patients came from every part of the State. Charity patients are growing and unless more aid is forthcoming from some source many of these will have to be turned away during the year just before us. Therefore your committee would urge upon the Baptists of this association three things:—

1. Be more generous in your gifts to the Co-operative Program. From this source the hospital receives 4 cents out of every dollar giv en to pay on its indebtedness. Be more liberal in the offerings on Mothers' Day is the future eope of our hospital. Every cent raised on this occasion goes to charity. Let us stand by this day's offering then remember that Jesus was referring to a ministry to the needy when he said "as often as ye did it unto one of the least of these my brethren ye did unto me."

3. Last but not least, that we pray earnestly for our hospital, for its doctors, its superintendent, its nurses and the patients who come to be ministered to.

Respectfully submitted

G. W. Robbins Chm., A. T. Townsend.

Report on Ministerial Relief read by G. M. Watson. Spoken to by G. W. Brown, J. W. Hendrix, G. M. Watson and N. S. Hampton and adopted.

MINISTERIAL RELIEF

Our old ministers who now are not able to make their support, to longer carry the precious message to lost men, they are today at our hands and we do humbly beg that our churches take this matter to heart and sure see that they have sufficient means to comfort them in their last days of life.

G. W. Brown, J. W. Hendrix, G. M. Watson.

Report on Pastoral Support read by Z. T. Greene. Discussed by him and D. M. Wheeler, N. S. Hampton, Lee Minton and adopted.

PASTORAL SUPPORT

We ask that each church have a Deacons' meeting and form plans to enable pastors to give more of their time to visiting their members as he is the watchman over the flock.

As the church helps the pastor, it enables him to do more visiting and we find that the pastors are under paid, probably through neglect of the Deacons, and we request that they look after this matter of paying our pastors Let's make an effort to increase the pastor's salary this year. This will enable the preacher, to do more studying and thereby be better qualified for the task entrusted to them.

Z. T. Greene, Lee Minton.

Report on Obituaries read by G. M. Watson and adopted.

OBITUARIES

The statistics of our churches show the death of 6 of our members. We extend our heart sympathy to the bereft ones and to the churches in behalf of the association extend our sympathy also to those who have been left to mourn their loss.

Weep not my loved ones left behind
I am going to a land where glory shines
And I'll be watching for you to come
Where we can walk in the light of the sun.

G. M. Watson, Troy Townsend.

Report on B.Y.P.U. read by Mrs. Joe Wheeler. Discussed by Mrs. Wheeler and P. A. Hicks and adopted.

B. Y. P. U.

The BYPU work is for the training of the young members. It enables them to be useful to do work for the Lord.

I think every church should have one or more BYPU's as it helps to make our young people strong and to understand the Bible better

Glenda Hampton, Mrs Don Hayes,
Mrs Joe Wheeler, Mrs Walter Jones, Miss Bertha Dula.

Report on Resolutions read by B. F. Wilcox and adopted.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolved, That we as Christians and church leaders make stronger and more united effort for the spiritual uplift of our people at home and abroad and that we increase our donations for the extention of the Kingdom of our Lord to the ends of the earth.

And be it further Resolved, That we extend our sincere thanks to Watauga church and community for their hospitality and kindness during this session.

B. F. Wilcox, G. W. Hodges. Simon Townsend.

Report on Digest of Letters read and discussed by Joe Wheeler and adopted.

DIGEST OF LETTERS

Last year 12 churches reported Pastors' Salaries $1,097.83.
This year 9 churches report Pastors' Salaries $942.93.
Last year 5 churches reported gained by baptism 24.
This year 6 churches report gained by baptism 70.
Last year 6 churches reported gave to Missions $99.82.
This year 5 churches gave to Missions $143.54.
Last year 5 churches gave to the Orphanage $174.10.
This year 9 churches gave to the Orphanage $115.15.
Last year 10 S. S. total enrollment 844.
This year 9 S. S. total enrollment 995.

Last year 1 BYPU. This year 1 BYPU.

Last year 12 churches reported total membership 1206.

This year 9 churches reported total membership 1013.

This year S. S. total should read 795.

Appointed Z. T. Greene and B. F. Wilcox to write a report on Nominations. [Report appears further on.]

Report on Place and Preacher read by Z. T. Greene and discussed by him and adopted.

PLACE AND PREACHER

We recommend that the next session be held with Sandy Flat Baptist church, 2 miles west of Blowing Rock, Tuesday after the second Sunday in September 1929 at 10 a. m.

Introductory sermon by Eld. G. M. Watson; Eld. D. M. Wheeler alternate.— T. C. Hodges, J. W. Harrison, J. W. Hendrix.

Report on Co-operative Program read by Z. T. Greene, discussed by him and adopted.

CO-OPERATIVE PROGRAM

We, your Committe on Co-operative Program, recommend that the churches give as proportional:—

Boones Fork $5.00; Doe Ridge $1.00; Elk $10.00; Laurel Fork $5.00; Hopkins Chapel $1.00; Mt. Vernon $25.00; Mt. Ephraim $15.00; Mt. Paran $1.00; Middle Cane $5.00; New Hopewell $2.00; Poplar Grove $20.00; Rock Springs $4.00; Rock View $5.00; Watauga $15.00; Yellow Hill $8.00; Sandy Flat $10.00. Total $132.

Merritt Coffey, Z. T. Greene.

Called Roll of Delegates and marked absentees.

Finance Report read by T. C. Hodges.

FINANCE

	Co-op. Prog	Minute Fund
Boones Fork		$2.50
Poplar Grove		4.00
Mt. Ephraim	$10.00	3.00
Doe Ridge		2.00
Elk	6.15	2.00
Hopkins Chapel		
Laurel Fork		
Mt Vernon		8.50
Mt. Paran		
Middle Cane		1.50
New Hopewell		
Rock Springs		1.50
Rock View		2.00
Watauga		2.50
Yellow Hill		
Sandy Flat For Orphanage	$1.00	2.45

D. M. Wheeler read Report of Associational Missionary which was adopted. REPORT

I have preached at some places in our association and believe that it has done good. Received from Rev. G. W. Sabastian $5.00 and Millard Coffey $2.00 and from Latown Mission point $14. Total $21.

D. M. Wheeler.

Appointed Rev. G. M. Watson Associational Missionary.

A motion to adjourn.

B. F. Wilcox, Clerk & Treas.

D. M. Wheeler, Moderator.

Appointed B. F. Wilcox to close the association. After some remarks the Holy Spirit was manifest in power. Much enthusiasm prevailed. A general hand shake was engaged in.

So closed a real lively session of the Stony Fork Association.

Suggestion to our members : When these Minutes come into your possession please read them through once a month. Possibly we'll have more interest in the cause of our divine Master and God of the whole earth. —Clerk.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Received:	For Minute Fund	$35.44
	Handed in for Mrs. Hampton	4.03
	Co-operative Program	7.50
	Total	$46.97

Disbursements:	For Printing Minutes	$26.50
	Paid Mrs Hampton	4.03
	To Walters Durham Co-op. Program	7.50
	Allow Clerk	15.00
	Total	$53.03
	Due Clerk	$7.06

Association paid $7.06.

B. F. Wilcox, Treas.

Ordained Ministers

Ashley W. D.	Blowing Rock, N. C.
Brown G. W.	Boone, N. C.
Brown A. M.	"
Brown R. L.	"
Church W. N.	Summit, N. C.
Church J. W.	"
Dillinger Oscar	Linville, N. C.
Robbins Ed S.	Blowing Rock, N. C.
Greer R. G.	Fleetwood, N. C.
Miller M. D.	Triplett, N. C.
Wheeler D. M.	Bamboo, N. C.
Wilcox B. F.	Shulls Mills, N. C.
Watson G. M.	Darby, N. C.
Watson Luster	Deep Gap, N. C.

Roll of Delegates

Boones Fork— Milton Coffey, Charlie Coffey, Herman Coffey.
Mt. Vernon— J. W. Harrison.
Doe Ridge— Rev G W Brown.
Rock View— Lee Minton, Wash Hodges, Jeff Hodges.
Sandy Flat-- Merit Coffey, I H Henderson, Z V Brown, B F Wilcox, E E Colvard.
Middle Cane— J W Hendrix.
Mt Ephraim— Joe Wheeler, Mrs Joe Wheeler, Mrs Don Hodges.
Elk— Bertha Dula, Eda Jones, W A Jones.
Watauga— H C Shook, N B Parch, Troy Townsend.
Poplar Grove— Z T Greene, T C Hodges.

Nominations

D. M. Wheeler Moderator, Blowing Rock
Z. T. Greene Clerk, Shulls Mills.
B F Wilcox Pastor, Shulls Mills.
W E Coffey Layman Worker, Blowing Rock.
Minnie Day Woman's Work, Box 114 Blowing Rock.
Mrs N L Harrison BYPU Worker Blowing Rock.
C C Triplett, Triplett.
Tilden Icenhour, Blowing Rock.
To Baptist State Convention: G M Watson, Triplett.
R L Barnes, Boone.
5th Sunday Meeting Workers, B F Wilcox, N L Harrison, Ed Robbins.

Correspondence:

To Three Forks: Z T Greene, B F Wilcox.

Ashe: H L Beshears.

Brushy Mountain: W A Proffit.

Caldwell: Ed Robbins.

Avery: G W Brown.

Standing Committees for 1929.

Order of Business— Moderator and Clerk.

Pastoral Support—L M Hodges, Lem Prince Z T Greene.

Periodicals—Ed Robbins.

Sunday Schools—N L Harrison.

Christian Education—Jessie McNeil.

Digest of Letters—Joe Wheeler.

Obituaries—Tilden Icenhour.

Woman's Work—Miss Minnie Day.

B Y P U—Mrs Joe Wheeler.

Missions—Miss Ethel Day.

Hospitals—Mrs L M Hodges.

Ministerial Relief—B F Wilcox.

Orphanage—G W Brown.

Resolutions—Granville Storie.

Place and Preacher—John Hendrix.

Finance—Henry Beshears.

Nominations & Correspondence—J W Harrison.

CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

CHURCHES	PASTORS & P. O.		Meeting Days	Members Last Year	Baptisms	Letters	Statements	Restored	Lost by Letter	Excluded	Erasure	Deaths	Total present Membership	Weekly Prayer Meetings	Revivals During year	Lord's Supper	Subscribers to Bib. Recorder
Boones Fork	Tipton Greene, Boone		2	....	3	....	..	..	11	..	..	1	84	no	1	2	..
Doe Ridge	G. W. Brown, "		4						2				25	no			
Elk	D. M. Wheeler, Bamboo		2	41	7	4	2					1	53	no	1	1	
Hopkins Chapl																	
Laurel Fork																	
Mt Vernon	1866	R C Eggers, Zionville	4	219	20	9		2	5	1	5	2	236	no	1	2	4
Mt Ephraim	G. M. Watson, Triplett		1	174		1				4		2	169	no	1	1	1
Mt Paran																	
Middle Cane			3													1	
New Hopewell																	
Poplar Grove																	
Rock Springs																	
Rock View	H H Smith, Stony Fork		4				1	1		1			39		2		
Sandy Flat	1928	Edd Robbins, B. Rock	2-4		8	49		1					58		1	1	2
Watauga	1044	N S Hampton, Pineola	3	152	13				1	1		1	162	no	1	2	1
Yellow Hill																	

Note: All the churches are located in the country.

FINANCIAL TABLE, September 11, 1928.

CHURCHES	Co-op. Program	Pastor's Salary	Ministerial Help	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Minutes & Clerk	Other Objects	Hospitals	Orphanage	Building & Repairs	Incidentals	Total Mis. & Benev.	GRAND TOTAL	BYPU	Pledged to Co-op Pro
Boones Fork		63.90	15.00				2.50	5.00		10.00				153.50		
Doe Ridge		20.00					2.00				11.00			32.00		1.00
Elk	6.15	83.60	38.80				2.00		10.75		168.00		10.15	293.13		10.00
Laurel Fork																5.00
Hopkins Chapl																1.00
Mt Vernon	39.30	201.50			5.50		8.50		4.50	61.19		46.80		317.64	12.40	257.00
Mt Ephraim	10.00	116.74	17.78				3.00		17.00	5.00		10.00	27.00	187.54	8.00	15.00
Mt Paran																1.00
Middle Cane		61.50	27.20				1.50							120.70	18.00	5.00
New Hopewell.																
Poplar Grove																
Rock Springs																4.00
Rock View							2.00			5.00				19.00	2.00	5.00
Sandy Flat	1.00	41.97					2.45	43.70		1.00		59.65		156.31		10.00
Watauga		137.68	30.00	2.29	2.29	2.29	2.50	60.00		21.50	17.00	11.32	28.39	310.66	20.27	15.00
Yellow Hill																8.00

SUNDAY SCHOOL TABLE

CHURCHES	SUPT. & P. O.	Officers and Teachers	Beginners 3-5 Years	Primary 6 to 8	Juniors 9-12	Intermediate 13-16 years	Young People 17-24	Adults 25 up	Total Enrollment	Average Attendance	Teachers Nor. Diplomas	Baptisms from School	S. S. Expenses	To Missions & Orphanage &c	TOTAL	Sexton
Boones Fork	Milton Coffey, Shulls Mills	6	15	10	....	12	....	20	68	50	....	....	19.66	.....•.....	.....•.....	.....
Doe Ridge	G W Brown, Boone															
Elk	W M Jones, Denny	7		15	12	12		15	54	35		6	7.00	13.00	20.00	
Hopkins Chapel	No report															
Laurel Fork	"															
Mt Vernon	W J Cook, Blowing Rock	12	17	14	31	38	8	51	171	87	3	20	64.65	23.70	115.35	27
Mt Ephraim	Virgil C Cox, Triplett	5	15	10		15	10	10	65	40			8.00		16.00	
Mt Paran																
Middle Cane	M M Minton, Mt Zion	4	10	8	15	7	10	10	50	30			8.00	10.00	18	
New Hopewell																
Poplar Grove																
Rock Springs																
Rock View	Lee Minton, Triplett	2	6	10	8	5	12	20	65	35				1.00		
Sandy Flat	Walter Hollers, Blowing Rock	7							60	50						
Watauga	L M Hodges, Banners Elk	10	35	20	18	30	29	30	172	86	1	13	20.17	28.39	48.66	
Yellow Hill																

Mt. Vernon School is graded. No Standard A—1 Schools.

MINUTES

of The

Sixty-eighth Annual Session

— OF —

STONY FORK

Baptist Association

— HELD WITH —

Sandy Flat Church, Watauga County, N. C.

September 10-11, 1929.

REV. D. M. WHEELER Mod., Bamboo, N. C.
REV. B. F. WILCOX Clerk-Treas., Blowing Rock, N. C.

Next Annual Session to be held at Middle Cane Baptist Church
16 miles east of Boone
Beginning on Tuesday after second Sunday in September,
1 9 3 0
Rev. R. L. Barnes to preach the annual sermon,
E. D. Robbins, alternate.

Will H. McGuire's Print, Brookside, N. C.

MINUTES
of The
Sixty-eighth Annual Session
— OF THE —
Stony Fork Missionary Baptist Association

Met with Sandy Flat Church Sept. 10, 1929. All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name was sung by the congregation.

Rev. G. M. Watson read Luke 2 chap. beginning with 22 verse.

Bro. Robert Shore led in prayer.

Bro. Watson announced Luke 2 chap. 49 verse: Wist ye not that I must be about my Father's business, and preached a very thoughtful and inspiring sermon. Rev. W. D. Ashley led in prayer.

The Association seated for business by the Moderator.

Church letters called for and handed in. The same were read by Z. T Greene and T. C. Hodges.

Invited correspondents and visitors. G. W. Robbins, J. L. Storie, Smith Eggers, J. W. Presnell, G. F. Edmisten from Three Forks, and J. F. Storie from Caldwell, accepted seats.

Invited newly organized churches, none present.

The time of the present officers now expires. The Association proceeds to elect. D. M. Wheeler was elected Moderator and B. F. Wilcox Clerk and Treasurer.

Moderator and clerk empowered to make all temporary appointments for this session.

Committees:

Pastoral Support: Z. T. Greene, Henry Storie.
Periodicals: Rev. E. D. Robbins, Linley Hampton.
Sunday Schools: N. L. Harrison, M. W. Day, R. L. Barnes.
Christian Education: W. A. Proffit, G. W. Robbins, S. T. Icenhour.
Digest of Letters: W. D. Ashley, Z. T. Greene, T. C. Hodges, R. H. Shore.
Obituaries: S. T. Icenhour, G. M. Watson.
Woman's Work: Mrs. Z. T. Greene, Mrs. S. T. Icenhour.
B. Y. P. U. : Mrs. Linley Hampton, Mrs. W. D. Ashley.
Missions: Ethel Day, M. W. Day, G. W. Brown, F. Edmisten.
Hospitals: Z. V. Brown, I. H. Henderson, J. W. Bradshaw, G. M. Watson.
Ministerial Relief: J. W. Hendrix, B. F. Wilcox.
Orphanage: G. W. Brown, W. A. Proffit.
Resolutions: Granville Storie, F. F. Holder, Henry Storie.

Place and Preacher: J. W. Hendrix, H. L. Beshears, Thos. Miller.
Finance: H. L. Beshears, S. T. Icenhour, L. J. Church, R. L. Barnes.
Nominations & Correspondence: Linley Hampton, Luther Miller.

Adjourned one hour for dinner. Benediction by Edd Robbins.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Sang What a Friend We Have in Jesus. Prayer by G M Watson.

Report on Ministerial Relief read by B. F. Wilcox. Spoken to by G. M. Watson, D. M. Wheeler, B. F. Wilcox, G. W. Brown, J. W. Hendrix and Lee J. Church and adopted.

MINISTERIAL RELIEF

Our aged and wornout ministers and their widows deserve our careful consideration and hearty support. All honor to them for the work they have done in publishing the gospel of peace, and their faithful and heroic efforts to lift our people from the quagmires of sin. They have done a good work; we have entered into their labors and enjoy the blessings of the same.

Brethren and sisters let us stand by them and give them an ample support for all their needs until our heavenly Father takes them to their reward.

B. F. Wilcox, J. W. Hendrix, Com.

Report on Sunday Schools read by R. L. Barnes. Spoken to by R. L. Barnes, G. W. Robbins, B. F. Wilcox, G. W. Brown, Lee J. Church, D. M. Wheeler, I. H. Henderson and adopted.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS

The Sunday [school] is the church at work. Through the work of the Sunday school the church can reach many children that need capturing at an early age So the Sunday school is a very important part of the church's work. Respt. sub.

M. W. Day, Linny Barnes.

Pastoral Support read by Henry Storie. Spoken to by Z. T. Greene, D. M. Wheeler, Edd Robbins, Thomas Miller, W. A Proffit I. H. Henderson, G. W. Robbins and R. H. Shore and adopted.

PASTORAL SUPPORT

Pastoral support is the best way by which the people can hear the gospel. If we support our pastors by monthly contributions, then they are more enabled to study the Bible and preach the Word in its purity.

As the church helps the pastor, so the pastor is able to help the church to the extent as he receives it. We urge that the deacons bring this matter of paying the pastor before the church from time to time and if they will not do their duty, we recommend that he be removed from his deaconship and some one elected in his stead.

Z. T. Greene, H. M. Story, Com.

Report on Christian Education read by W. A. Proffit. Spoken to by G. W. Robbins, W. A. Proffit, S. T. Icenhour, G. W. Brown, B. F. Wilcox, R. L. Barnes and adopted.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

We believe that all our preachers, missionaries and denomination-workers should receive their training, as far as possible, in our Baptist schools. We believe that our children can receive no better training anywhere to carry on the Master's work than in our Baptist schools and colleges. We would recommend that our Baptist people everywhere patronize these institutions as far as practicable.

We find in these Christian institutions where the Bible is taught by Christian men and women, that the foundation of our Christian life and character is formed. We earnestly recommend that our Baptist people everywhere rally to the support of our Baptist schools and colleges with their financial support and prayer, to the end that our young men and women may be better prepared to carry on the great work of the Master.

We recommend that all our young ministers prepare themselves in one of these institutions, if possible so as to be better prepared to carry on the great work of the Master's Kingdom.

As Paul said to Timothy: Study to show thyself a workman approved who needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth, giving each part its portion in due season.

G. W. Robbins, W. A. Proffit, S. T. Icenhour, Com.

Report on Periodicals read by Linley Hampton. Spoken to by Linley Hampton, Edd Robbins, R. H. Shore and adopted.

PERIODICALS

1st We recommend that the Bible be placed in every home, and read it daily.

Search ye the Scriptures for in them ye think ye have eternal life and they are they which testify of me.

2d We recomend our Baptist Sunday school literature and books.

The Biblical Recorder should find a place in eveay home so that we may know what our Baptist people are doing throughout this Southland of ours.

We recommend too, Charity and Children to be distributed in our Sunday schools.

Linley Hampton, Edd Robbins.

At this time W. A. Proffit reads a request from Elk church, requesting a letter of dismission. Request granted.

The association adjourned to meet tomorrow at 9: 30 a. m.. R. H. Shore to conduct devotional service. W. D. Ashley to preach tonight.

Assembled back at 7:30. After beautiful singing by the congregation, Rev. R. L. Barnes led in prayer. Rev. W. D. Ashley preached from II. Cor. 6: 13: "Be ye also enlarged." All present were delighted with the sermon.

At the close of the day's session B. F. Wilcox announced homes for the delegates and led in prayer.

Second Day

"What Wondrous Love" was sung. G. W. Brown led in prayer "Old Time Religion" was sung and R. H. Shore led in prayer.

Read minutes of yesterday. Invite correspondents and visitors. Rev. Samuel T. Hensley from Piedmont association presented himself and was received.

Report on Hospitals read by G. M. Watson. Spoken to by G.M. Watson, R. H. Shore, D. M. Wheeler and adopted.

HOSPITALS

The Bible tells us that Jesus went about doing good; healing the sick, raising the dead and preaching the gospel to the poor.

We are not able to raise the dead but we have an institution at Winston-Salem that is doing a great work in healing the sick Last year over 2000 patients were cared for, 500 of whom were charity patients. To enable it to care for those who apply for admittance who are not able to care for themselves, the churches must, with the means God has blessed them with, liberally contribute to this worthy cause. Respectfully submitted.

G. M. Watson, I. H. Henderson, Z. V. Brown, Com.

Report on Missions read by G. W. Brown. Spoken to by G. W. Brown and S. T. Hensley.

Prayer by R. H. Shore and adjourned for dinner one hour.

AFTERNOON SESSION

"Keep on Praying Ground" was sung. Prayer by B. F. Wilcox.

The discussion on Missions continued. Edd Robbins leads. G. M. Watson, B. F. Wilcox, R. H. Shore, Thomas Miller, speaks to the report.

MISSIONS

The foundation of missions was laid by Christ. He gave his life to a lost and dying world, and we as his followers, are commanded to go into all the world and preach his gospel. The question that should be answered by every church and every individual is: Do I believe in giving the gospel to a lost and dying world? Do we realize that we are commanded to go an give the gospel to all the world?

We wear the high name, Missionary Baptist; but are we loyal to it?

Do we carry out the command given by Jesus himself? How are we showing our appreciation for what he has done for us?

All around us we can see need of missionary work, plenty of children in the bounds of our association who are not enlisted in Sunday school, besides a vast number of unsaved foreigners coming into our state every year. The is to "go into all the world", which means to reach out into other nations as well as at home.

We recommend that every pastor as he goes back to his churches urge the people to be loyal to the command and blessed privilege of serving Christ. "In as much as ye have done in unto one of the least of these . . . ye have done it unto me."

Invited correspondents and visitors. Rev. A. J. Foster, Brushy Mountain association, and Rev. P. A. Hicks and Prof. I. G. Greer of Three Forks association, accepted seats.

Orphanage Report read by G. W. Brown. Spoken to by I. G. Greer.

ORPHANAGE

In the year 1885 the Baptists of North Carolina organized and built a home for orphan children at Thomasville, N. C. Since that time nearly 3000 children have been cared for. Not only are they fed and clothed, but they are educated along many lines, preparing them for life.

How can this wonderful work be continued? By the Baptist people of North Carolina standing behind it and helping it in every way possible. Let us as individuals, as a Sunday school, and as a church, examine ourselves and see if we are doing our duty toward helping this worthy institution, as it depends entirely on the Baptist people for support.

Systematic giving, or the once-a-month offering, is a fine way to give for this purpose. We recommend that each church adopt this plan of giving. Not only should we give of our means which God has so bountifully blessed us with, but we should earnestly remember to pray that God will bless and help the great organization at Thomasville, N. C. We urge a Thanksgiving at every church.

Rev. G. W. Brown, W. A. Proffit, Com.

Report on Obituaries read by S. T. Icenhour and spoken to by him and adopted.

OBITUARIES

The statistics of our churches show the death of 10 of our members. We extend our heartfelt sympathy to the bereft ones and to the churches in behalf of the association extend our sympathy also to those who have been left to mourn their loss. Let us extend a helping hand to their widows and orphans.

Farewell to those we love so dear,
All are entering in never ending years
Where we will never die no more,
But live forever on the heavenly shore.

S. T. Icenhour and G. M. Watson, Committee.

Report on Resolutions read by Henry Storie and adopted.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolved, that we as Christians and church leaders make stronger and more united effort for the spiritual uplift of our people at home and abroad, and that we increase our donations for the extension of the Kingdom of our Lord to the ends of the earth.

Resolved further, That we extend our sincere thanks to Sandy Flat church and community for their hospitality and kindness during this session.

J. G. Storie, H. M. Storie, J. T. Ford, Com.

Report on Digest of Letters read by T. C. Hodges and adopted.

DIGEST OF LETTERS

Last year 9 churches reported Pastors' Salaries $942.93. This year 14 churches report Pastors' Salaries $1025.55.

Last year 6 churches reported gained by baptism 70. This year 14 churches report gained by baptism 28.

Last year 5 churches gave to Missions $143.54. This year 14 churches gave to Missions $38.74.

Last year 9 churches gave to Orphanage $115.15. This year 14 churches gave to Orphanage $168.42.

Last year 9 S. S total enrollment 795. This year 14 S. S. total enrollment 884.

Last year 1 B.Y.P.U. This year 3 B.Y.U. societies.

Last year 9 churches reported total membership 1013. This year 14 churches reported total membership 1397.

T. C. Hodges, R. H. Shore, W. D. Ashley, Com.

Report on Place and Preacher read by G. M. Watson. Spoken to by G. W. Brown, G. M. Watson, Thomas Miller, G. W. Hendrix and adopted.

PLACE AND PREACHER

Your committee submits the following: That the next session of the Stony Fork association be held with the Middle Cane Baptist church 16 miles east of Boone, beginning Tuesday after the second Sunday in September 1930. Rev. R. L. Barnes to preach the introductory sermon, Rev. E. D. Robbins alternate.

J. W. Hendrix, H. L. Beshears, Thos. Miller, Com.

Treasurer's Report read by B. F. Wilcox and adopted.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Received For	Minute Fund	$35.02	
"	Orphanage	1.00	
"	Missions	9.75	
	Total,		$45.77
Disbursements:			
For	Printing Minutes	24.00	
	Orphanage	1.00	
	Walters Durham for Missions	9.75	
	Allow Clerk	15.00	
	Total,		49.75
	Due Clerk,		$ 3.98

Paid by the association $3.98.

B. F. Wilcox, Treas.

Report on Nominations and Correspondence read by G. M. Watson and spoken to by him and adopted.

NOMINATIONS

Executive Committee— Rev. W. D. Ashley, Lee J. Church, Rev. Ed Robbins.

Layman Worker— M. W. Day.

Woman's Work— Miss Minnie Day.

B. Y. P. U. Worker— Mrs. N. L. Harrison.

To Baptist State Convention— Rev. E. D. Robbins, Rev. D. M. Wheeler.

5th Sunday Meeting Workers— H. L. Beshears, Tilden Icenhour.

Corrrespondents:

To Three Forks asso., D M Wheeler, B F Wilcox.
Ashe, Lee J Church, G M Watson.
Brushy Mountain, R L Barnes.
Caldwell, W D Ashley.
Avery, I H Henderson.

G. M. Watson, W. A. Proffit, Com.

NOMINATIONS

D. M. Wheeler, Moderator,		Bamboo, N. C.
Z T Greene, Clk.		Shulls Mills
B F Wilcox, Pastor		Blowing Rock
N L Harrison, Layman Worker,		Blowing Rock
Minnie Day, Woman's Work,	Box 114,	Blowing Rock
Mrs N L Harrison, BYPU Worker,		Blowing Rock
H L Beshears,		Summit
S T Icenhour,		Blowing Rock
To Baptist State Convention {	D M Wheeler,	Bamboo
	R L Barnes,	Boone

5th Sunday Meeting Workers — B. F. Wilcox, N. L. Harrison, Edd Robbins.

Report on Woman's Work read by P. A. Hicks and spoken to by him and adopted.

WOMAN'S WORK

While on his missionary tour Paul heard the cry, "Come over into Macedonia and help us." On the Sabbath he found the women assembled at the riverside for prayer. This served as a background for his successful mission work at that place. All down through the ages, bands of women, through their united efforts and incessant prayers, have rendered untold assistance to the extension of God's kingdom here on eaath. The women over our State are united in groups in order that shey may accomplish what they cannot do working alone. When we consider the fact that only the women who are members of the W.M.U. are having any part in the great missionary movement of today, we should put forth every effort to make the women of our association realize their opportunity in helping to give the gospel to a lost world. Respectfully submitted.

Mrs. Alverda Green, Mrs. Callie Icenhour, Committee.

Associational Missionary Report read by G. M. Watson; spoken to by him and adopted.

ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONARY REPORT

I have visited a number of the churches in the association and preached to them and feel that the labor has been blest.

Received of Mt. Vernon church $4.75 and from Mission Point at near Darby $2.50. Total $7.25.

Rev. G. M. Watson, Asso. Missionary.

G. M. Watson agrees to work the eastern half and B. F. Wilcox the western half as Associational Missionaries.

The association agrees to call on the churches for the same amount we asked for last year.

B. Y. P. U. REPORT

The objects of the BYPU are as follows:

1. The increased spirituality of the young Christian.
2. The training in essential church activities
3. Their instruction in Baptist doctrine and history.
4. Their enlistment in all forms of missionary endeavor.

The meaning of the object is set forth in these words:

Consecration. Preparation. Service.

Mrs. W. D. Ashley, Mrs. F. L. Hampton.

Report of Finance Committee read and adopted.

FINANCE

Minute Fund and Clerk of Association:

Boones Fork	$ 3.00	Middle Cane	$ 1.50
Doe Ridge	1.00	Poplar Grove	4.00
Elk	2.00	Rock View	1.25
Laurel Fork	2.25	Sandy Flat	2.50
Mt. Vernon	7.14	Watauga	2.25
Mt. Ephraim	3 25	Yellow Hill	1.00
Mt. Paran	1 00	Total,	$32.14

Elk Baptist church for Co-op. Program	$ 6.00
Poplar Grove for Missions	6.00
Doe Ridge for Orphanage	1.00
	$13.00

We recommend for the clerk $15.00, for Minutes $17.14.
H. L. Beshears, Lee J. Church, W. D. Ashley,
R. H. Shore, R. L. Barnes, S. T. Icenhour.

Motion to adjourn prevailed to meet with Middle Cane Tuesday after the second Sunday in September 1930.

G. W. Brown closes the session. The work was done in a very satisfactory way and pleasing to all present.

D. M. Wheeler, Moderator. B. F. Wilcox, Clerk.

Roll of Messenges

Boones Fork—Lloyd Coffey.
Doe Ridge— Rev. G. W. Brown.
Elk— W. A. Proffit.
Hopkins Chapel— No delegate.
Laurel Fork— J T Ford, H M Storie, J G Storie.
Mt. Vernon— Millard Day, F L Hampton.
Mt Ephraim— D M Wheeler.
Mt Paran— Thomas Miller.
Middle Cane— J W Hendrix.
New Hopewell— Jerome Coffey.
Poplar Grove— Z T Greene, T C Hodges, Essie Winkler.
Rock Spring— No delegate.
Rockview— Jeff Hodges.
Sandy Flat— John Ashley, Z V Brown, C J Icenhour.
Watauga— Howard Townsend.
Yellow Hill— Lee J Church, H L Beshears.

Standing Committees

Order of Business: Moderator and Clerk.
Pastoral Support: Edd Robbins, Z. T. Greene.
Periodicals: N L Harrison.
Sunday Schools: B F Wilcox.
Christian Education: W D Ashley.
Digest of Letters: Joe Wheeler.
Obituaries: S T Icenhour.
Woman's Work: Miss Minnie Day.
B Y P U: Ethel Day.
Missions: R L Barnes.
Hospitals: G M Watson.
Ministerial Relief: G W Brown.
Orphanage: D M Wheeler.
Resolutions: M D Miller.
Place and Preacher: T C Hodges.
Finance: L M Hodges.
Nominations & Correspondence: Joe Greene, H L Beshears.

Ordained Ministers

Ashley, W. D.	Blowing Rock, N. C.
Barnes, R L	Boone, "
Brown, G W	"
Brown, A M	"
Carroll, G K	Globe
Church, J W	Summit
Dellinger, O C	Linville
Robbins, Ed S	Blowing Rock
Greer, R G	Fleetwood
Miller, M D	Triplett
Wheeler, D M	Bamboo
Wilcox, B F	Blowing Rock
Watson, G M	Darby
Watson, Luster,	Deep Gap

LICENTIATES

R A Hartley, Blowing Rock	Sam Keller, Banner Elk
J C Mann, Banner Elk	C C Triplett, Triplett

Three churches, Mt. Vernon, Elk, and Sandy Flat, have BYPU societies, all doing good work.

Church Clerks & P. O.

Boones Fork, Mrs. W. B. Estes, Shulls Mills, N. C.
Doe Ridge, Alice Brown, Boone.
Elk, W T Jones, Denny, N C
Hopkins Chapel, Not represented.
Laurel Fork, J G Storie, Blowing Rock.
Mt Vernon, N L Harrison, Blowing Rock
Mt Ephraim, V C Cox, Triplett.
Mt Paran, G D Watson, Deep Gap.
Middle Cane, J W Hendrix, Stony Fork.
New Hopewell, David Coffey, Globe.
Poplar Grove, Z T Greene, Shulls Mills.
Rock Springs, James Woods, Darby.
Rock View, Jeff Hodges, Triplett.
Sandy Flat, S T Icenhour, Blowing Rock.
Watauga, Mrs L M Hodges, Banner Elk.
Yellow Hill, H L Beshears, Summit.

TABLE I.—CHURCH MEMBERSHIP, Sept. 1929.

CHURCHES	Constituted	PASTORS & P. O.	Days of Meeting	Members Last Year	Baptisms	Rec. by Letter	Statements	Restoration	Lost: By Letter	Excluded	Erased	Deaths	Total Membership	Prayer Meetings	Revivals	Lord's Supper	Families Taking Recorder
Boones Fork	1916	W. D. Ashley, BlowingRock	4	84	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	84	..	1	2	1
Doe Ridge	1894	G. W. Brown, Boone, N.C.	4	14									14		1		
Elk		D M Wheeler, Bamboo	2-4	53	3		1		3	1		1	51		1	1	
Hopkins Chapel		Not represented															
Laurel Fork	1855	D M Wheeler, Bamboo	3	119								2	117		1		
Mt Vernon	1866	R C Eggers, Zionville	4	261	4	1						3	266	yes	1	2	4
Mt Ephraim		Melvin Mikeal, Sourwood	1	174					5			4	165				
Mt Paran		James Greene, Stony Fork	1	34	2				2	1			33				
Middle Cane	1884	R L Barnes, Boone			3	2		6	1				28		1	1	
New Hopewell	1872	C F Cook, Globe	4	95					3			1	93		1	1	
Poplar Grove	1872	G W Sabastian, Wilkesboro	2	158	7	2			1		1		165	yes	1	2	
Rock Springs		Not represented															
Rock View		G M Watson, Darby	4	44									42		1	1	
Sandy Flat		Ed Robbins, Blowing Rock	2-4	58					4	2		1	52	yes	1	2	2
Watauga	1844	N S Hampton, Pineola	3	162	3					2		2	161			2	1
Yellow Hill	1850	Odell Carlton, Wilbar	3	119	5							1	123		1	1	

All the churches are located in the country.

TABLE II. SUNDAY SCHOOLS

CHURCHES	SUPT. & P. O.	Officers and Teachers	Beginners 3—5 Years	Primaries 6—8 Years	Juniors 9—12	Intermediates 13—16	Young People 17—24	Adults 25 up	Cradle Roll	Total Enrollment	Average attendance	S. S. Expenses
Boones Fork	Milton Coffey, Shulls Mills	6	10	9	....	10	....	18	4	57	27	13.63
Elk	W. A. Proffit, Denny	6	12		14	12		15		59	35	30.23
Laurel Fork	J G Storie, Blowing Rock	4								50	25	
Mt Vernon	Wm Brown, Rutherwood	13	13	10	14		44	31		125		
Mt Ephraim		7		10	10	15	10	25		77	65	
Middle Cane		5	12	8	10	10					38	8.00
Poplar Grove	Lula Austin, Shulls Mills	12		12	8	17	13	28		90	46	100.74
Rock View	Lee Minton,	3	6	8	7			25		45		3.00
Sandy Flat	Walter Hollers, Blowing Rock	7	10	8	10	15		20		70	45	14.77
Watauga	L M Hodges, Banner Elk	10	35	18	10	20	29	30	20	172	94	15.68
Yellow Hill	Lillie Beshears, Summit	15	7	28	26			32		93	62	29.58

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TABLE III: FINANCIAL

CHURCHES	Co-op. Program	Pastor's Salary	Local Poor	B Y P U	Asso Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Pulpit Supply	Schools & Colleges	Incidentals	Hospitals	Orphanage	Minutes & Clerk	Sunday Schools	GRAND TOTAL	Building & Repairs	Asso asks for Co-op.
Boones Fork		47.65	5.00					27.20				9.00	3.00	13.63	105.48		$5
Doe Ridge		20.00										1.00	1.00		22.00		1
Elk	6.00	78.55		10.78		2.70		22.85		12.00			2.00	30.23	188.53	23.50	10
Hopkins Chapel																	
Laurel Fork		44.00						15.00			3.12		2.25	8.00	74.37	2.00	5
Mt Vernon	55.00	219.55	5.00		2	12.54	5.00	40.13	5.00	25.06	6.27	88.00	7.14	78.13	552.51		25
Mt Ephraim		40.00	9.48					52.30					3.25	8.00	113.03		15
Mt Paran		22.00	1.00										1.00		24.00		1
Middle Cane		60.96	10.00					1.50					1.50		83.96		5
New Hopewell		11.25	10.00												21.25		2
Poplar Grove		171.73	8.00							13.96			4.00	22.14	219.83		20
Rock Springs																	
Rock View		25 00											1.50	3.00	29.50		5
Sandy Flat	10.50	50.00	7.78					25.50		20.22		54.00	2.50	14.77	185.27		10
Watauga	4.20	137.06	50.00					27.10		11.35	5.20	16.32	2.50	15.68	269.26		32
Yellow Hill		50.00	12.50					25.00		1.25			1.00	26.20	115.95		8

Mt. Vernon gave $3.69 for Ministerial Relief included in its total.

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MIDDLE CANE BAPTIST CHURCH

Watauga Co., North Carolina,

SEPTEMBER 9 AND 10, 1930.

W. D. ASHLEY, Moderator, - Blowing Rock, N. C.
B. F. WILCOx, Clerk & Treas., - Blowing Rock, N. C.

Next Annual Session to be held at Laurel Fork church
Tuesday after second Sunday in September,
1931.

[Name of preacher not stated.]

Will H. McGuire's Print, Brookside, N. C.

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Stony Fork Missionary Baptist Association met with Middle Cane Church Sept. 9 & 10, 1930, in its 69th session.

When I Can Read My Title Clear was sung by the congregation. Rev. W. D. Ashley led in prayer. Hymn, Brethren, We Have Met to Worship. Rev. R. Linney Barnes read Matthew 16: 13 to 19 verses. Announced as his text I. Cor. 11: 22: "Despise ye the church of God?" and preached a very thoughtful and inspiring sermon. Rev. I. C. Miller lead in prayer.

The moderator of last year not being present, moved that the clerk fill the chair.

Letters from the churches were called for and handed in. Letters turned over to committee on Digest of Letters.

Correspondents and visitors invited. Rev. I. C. Miller from the Caldwell association; Rev. Odus C. Goff from Va. Valley Baptist association; Bro. D. L. Wellborn, A. A. Hamby, from Three Forks were accepted.

Invited newly constituted churches. None present.

The time of the present officers having now expired, went into election of officers, Rev. I. C. Miller and David Wellborn acting as tellers, reported W. D. Ashley elected Moderator and B. F. Wilcox Clerk and Treasurer.

Moderator and Clerk empowered to make all temporary appointments for the session and the following appointments were made:

Pastoral Support, Millard Day, I. C. Miller.
Periodicals, N. L. Harrison, Minnie Day.
Sunday Schools, B. F. Wilcox, G. W. Brown.
Christian Education, W. D. Ashley, G. M. Watson, R. L. Barnes.
Digest of Letters, Joe Wheeler, Herman Coffey.
Obituaries, S. T. Icenhour, I. H. Henderson, Frank Holder.
Woman's Work, Minnie Day, I. C. Miller.
B.Y.P.U. Work, H. L. Beshears, C. C. Greene.
Missions, R. L. Barnes, I. C. Miller, A. A. Hamby.
Hospital, G. M. Watson, W. M. Minton, J. L. Miller.
Ministerial Relief, G. W. Brown, O. C. Goff, Z. V. Brown.
Orphanage, D. M. Wheeler, J. G. Storie, Thomas Miller.

Resolutions, M. D. Miller, Virgil Cox.

Place and Preacher, T.C. Hodges, J. T. Woods, N. L. Harrison, Herman Coffey.

Digest of Letters, J. T. Woods, N.L. Harrison, Herman Coffey.

Finance, L. M. Hodges, R. L. Barnes, Joe Cox.

Nominations and Correspondence, Joe Greene, H. L. Beshears, C. E. Hodges, J. G. Austin.

Temperance, J. W. Hendrix, F. F. Holder, Millard Day.

Devotional Exercises, Delegates of Middle Cane church.

Adjourned 1 hour for dinner. Dismission by G. M. Watson.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Hymn, Hold God's Unchanging Hand. Devotional conducted by B. F. Wilcox by reading the 14th chapter of John and led in prayer. Hymn, I'll Live On.

Called for correspondents and visitors. None present.

Report on Pastoral Support read by Millard Day. Spoken to by I. C. Miller and G. W. Brown and adopted.

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Millard Day, I. C. Miller, Com.

Report on Periodicals read by N. L. Harrison. Spoken to by N. L. Harrison, J. W. Hendrix and I. C. Miller and adopted.

PERIODICALS

We recommend that the Biblical Recorder is the best literature for any home and that it be read daily. The best help and aid to the Bible can be had from our Baptist publications. If you can get the Biblical Recorder, also Sunday school helps and BYPU literature by the Southern Baptist connot be excelled as an aid to Bible study.

N. L. Harrison, Minnie Day, Com.

Report on Sunday schools read by B. F. Wilcox. Spoken to by B. F. Wilcox, G. W. Brown and D. M. Wheeler and adopted.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS

The Sunday school is one of the most important features of our organized work. The vitality of the church largely depends upon

it for recruits and support. The Sunday school should be organized and controlled by devote l, God-loving men and women who have a zealous, downright craving for an ingathering of souls into the Master's kingdom. The Sunday school should have a hearty support and attendance by all classes, saint and sinner, old and young. None too old but what they can assist in some way and the very little ones should be provided for.

We insist that a special effort be made to increase the attendance and that the Sunday school work will flourish as never before.

B. F. Wilcox, G. W. Brown, Com.

B.Y.P.U. report read by Minnie Day. Spoken to by C.C.Green, R. L. Barnes, D. M. Wheeler and Minnie Day and adopted.

B. Y. P. U.

The purpose of the BYPU. organization is to train the young membership of the church for actual service. Each member has his own individual part to perform, this giving him practical experience that is offered nowhere else.

If we do any service worthwhile we must have proper preparation.

The BYPU. trains the young members for church service, instructs them in Baptist doctrine and history, enlists them in mission work and greatly increases their spirituality.

We recommend the BYPU. organization to all the churches as the best training service of the church, and insist that the pastors and leaders of the churches organize a BYPU. in each church.

Mrs. Ethel Hodges, H. L. Beshears, Com.

Report on Hospitals read by G. M. Watson. Spoken to by G.M. Watson and C. C. Greene and adopted.

HOSPITALS

The apostle James tells us in chapter 5, verses 13, 14, 15, 'If any afflicted let him pray, if any is sick let him call God's people to pray with him and the prayers of God's children in faith shall save the sick. Our hospital at Winston-Salem is founded on such as prayer faith and hope. With the medical aid, daily prayers are offered, God's children depending on Him. I have no late statistics of the work and number of patients, but to my mind in the past year there have been between 2500 and 3000 treated at the hospital, and about one-half of those treated have been charity patients. The thought that keeps annoying our mind is: the churches of the various associations standing by this worthy cause. Are they keeping the hospital out of debt? I fear we talk too much and do little; let us talk less and do more.

Rev. G. M. Watson, W. M. Minton, J L. Miller, Com.

Report on Woman's Work read by Minnie Day. Spoken to by Minnie Day, I. C. Miller, D. M. Wheeler, R. L Barnes. Adopted.

WOMAN'S WORK

During Christ's stay here on earth we frequently find among his associates groups of women. We find them administering to his physical needs and it is thought that they contributed liberally to his financial support. During Paul's time we find pious women assembled for prayer and worship, for example at Phillippi, in Macedonia where Lydia was converted. On down through the ages women have played an important part in the extension of the Kingdom At the present time throughout our State as well as all over the South Land women are organized in groups for the purpose of informing themselves of the needs and the extension of the work of the Kingdom. Thus their influence and accomplishments far exceeds what it would be were they to go on unorganized an in a haphazard way.

Will the women of the various churches of this association join in with the others and thereby contribute their greatest strength to the cause?

Minnie Day, I. C. Miller, Com.

Nearer My God to Thee was sung by the congregation.

Report on Digest of Letters read by N. L. Harrison. Spoken to by N L. Harrison, G. M. Watson and W. D Ashley and adopted.

DIGEST OF LETTERS

Last year 9 churches reported Pastors' Salaries $1025.55.
This year 13 churches report Pastors' Salaries $1087.00.
Last year 14 churches reported gains by baptism, 28.
This year 13 churches reported gains by baptism, 92.
Last year 14 churches reported to Missions, $38.74.
This year 13 churches reported to Missions, $111.32.
Last year 14 churches gave to Orphanage, $168.42.
This year 13 churches gave to Orphanage, $152.57.
Last year 14 churches enrolled Students, 884.
This year 13 churches enrolled Students, 799.
Last year 3 BYPU's, This year 3 BYPU's.
Last year 14 churches reported a total membership of 1397.
This year 13 churches reported a total membership of 1402.

J. T. Woods, N. L. Harrison, Herman Coffey.

Report on Ministerial Relief read by O. C. Goff. Spoken to by O . C. Goff, I. C. Miller, R. L. Barnes, G. W. Brown and adopted.

MINISTERIAL RELIEF

Three and one-half per cent. of the money given to the Baptist

Co-operative Program in North Carolina goes to the relieving of old and disabled ministers, but this is not one-half sufficient to adequately serve their needs comfortably, and we recommend and urge, in order to meet this lack and deficiency, that each church of Stony Fork association once every 3 months, take up a special offering for the meeting of this need.

Signed, Otis C. Goff, G. W. Brown.

Rev. O. C. Goff appointed to preach tonight. Rev. G.M. Watson appointed to conduct devotional tomorrow at 9: 30 a. m., Rev. I. C. Miller to preach at 11 a. m. Benediction by Thos Miller.

R. L. Barnes announced homes for the delegates.

Second Day

There's an All-seeing Eye Watching You was sung by the congregation. Rev. G. M. Watson read 8 verses of the 3d chapter of Phillippians and led in prayer.

Called for correspondents and visitors None present

Report on Obituaries read and adopted.

OBITUARIES

We find according to our associational statistics the death of 4 of our members. We your com. extend to the bereft ones our very heart's sympathy and in behalf of the association our every prayer.

Goodbye brethren, my work is done.

I hope we will share the glories of our Father and Son.

I stand at the door and wait for your coming in at the gates.

I. H. Henderson, F. F. Holder, G. M. Watson.

Report on Temperance read by G. M. Watson Spoken to by G. M. Watson, G. W. Hendrix, H. W. Brown, R. L. Barnes, W. D. Ashley and adopted.

TEMPERANCE

A greater problem don't confront the churches and community life more than that of temperance, and by temperance we mean more than the non use of alcoholic liquors and wines We mean also the non use of laudinum, all drugs and narcotics that are used as a drunkening stimulant. Now the way the temperance issue can grow in a community is for its complete church membership and law abiding citizens to all come together in a resolution that each and every one is going to do their level best in all respects to clean their community of its non temperance, and actually go ahead and do it. Yes, actually go ahead and do it! This talk in most of churches and communities of going to do something and never doing it, dont get anywhere. So in order to better the temperance condition in North Carolina let each messenger of Stony Fork Baptist association

resolve in themselves to go back to their respective churches a n d communities and work in all respects as they've never worked before

J. W. Hendrix, F. F. Holder, M. W. Day.

Rev. I. C. Miller invited to the stand to preach to the association. Amazing Grace was sung. Rev. I. C. Miller led in prayer. Text, Jonah 1 chap 6 verse: "What meanest thou, O sleeper? Arise, and call upon thy God." Bro. Miller's sermon was really good and awakening to us all, we hope.

Dismissed for 1 hour for dinner. Benediction by M. D. Miller.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Second day— A Wonderful Time was sung and There is a Fountain. D. M Wheeler read Matt 4: 15 to 18 verses and led prayer.

Orphanage Report read by Minnie Day. Spoken to by Rev. D. M. Wheeler, Minnie Day and adopted.

ORPHANAGE

In the year 1885 the Baptists of N. C. organized and built a home for orphan children at Thomasville, N. C. Since that time nearly 3000 children have been cared for. Not only are they clothed and fed but they are educated in many lines preparing them for life.

How can this wonderful work be continued? By the Baptist people of North Carolina standing behind it and helping in every way possible. Let us as individuals, as a Sunday school, and church, examine ourselves and see if we are doing our duty toward this worthy institution as it depends entirely on the Baptist people for support. Systematic giving or the once-a-month offering is a fine way to give for this purpose. We recommend that each church adopt this plan of giving. Not only should we give of our means which God has blessed us with, but we should earnestly remember to pray that God will bless the great organization at Thomasville, N. C.

We urge a great Thanksgiving offering at every church.

D. M. Wheeler, J. G. Storie, Thomas Miller, Com.

Report on Christian Education read by B. F. Wilcox. Spoken to by Minnie Day, I. C. Miller and W. D. Ashley and adopted.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Paul said to Timothy: "Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing t h e word of truth".

We have Baptist schools and colleges conducted by Godly men and women where Christian ideals are implanted and the Bible is taught in its purity, which every one should take advantage of, if possible, who have divine impressions to do a public work for their

Lord and Master.

W. D. Ashley, Com.

Report on Place add Preacher read by Herman Coffey. Adopted.

PLACE AND PREACHER

We submit that the next session of the Stony Fork Association be held with Laurel Fork church Tuesday after second Sunday in Sep. 1931. Rev B. F. Wilcox to preach the introductory sermon, Rev. E. D. Robbins alternate.

J. T. Woods, N. L. Harrison, Herman Coffey.

Note—This Report was not found till after the covers were printed, hence the names of the preachers for next session do not appear in the announcement on the cover.—Printer.

Report on Missions read by W. D. Ashley. Spoken to by I. C. Miller and adopted.

MISSIONS

Christ is the foundation of Missions. He was a missionary sent from God. "I came to seek and to save that which was lost." Also He gave the command: "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature, teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I command you, baptizing them in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost."

Linny Barnes, A. A. Hamby.

Finance Report read by G. M. Watson and adopted.

FINANCE

Minute Funds

Boones Fork	4.20	Doe Ridge	2.00	Hopkins Chapel	.....
Laurel Fork	2.98	Mt Vernon	5.92	Mt Ephraim	2.25
Mt Paran	.60	Middle Cane	2.50	New Hopewell	.....
Poplar Grove	4.05	Rock Springs	1.00	Rock View	1.50
Sandy Flat	3.75	Watauga	2.00	Yellow Hill	1.00

Minute Funds - - -	$25.68
To Co-operative Program from Sandy Flat - -	10.00
	$35.68

Allowed Clerk $15.00
Minutes 10.68

J. G. Storie, I. H. Henderson, M. W. Day, G. M. Watson.

Report on Nominations and Correspondence read by Charlie Hodges and adopted.

NOMINATIONS

Executive Committee—W. D. Ashley, G. M. Watson, D. M. Wheeler
To Baptist State Convention—Rev. W. D. Ashley.

Correspondence:

To Three Forks association—D. M. Wheeler.
Avery County association—C. C. Greene.

Caldwell County association— G. M. Watson.
Brushy Mountain association— W. M. Minton.
Ashe association— C. C. Triplett.

C. E. Hodges, J. G. Austin.

NOMINATIONS

D. M. Wheeler Moderator,	Bamboo, N. C.
Z. T. Greene Clk.,	Shulls Mills,
B. E. Wilcox Pastor,	Blowing Rock,
N. L. Harrison Layman Worker,	Blowing Rock,
Minnie Day Woman's Work,	Blowing Rock,
H. L. Beshears,	Summit,
S. T. Icenhour,	Blowing Rock,

Report on Resolutions read by B. F. Wilcox and adopted.

RESOLUTION

Resolved, That we as Christians and Church leaders make stronger and more united effort for the spiritual uplift of our people at home and abroad and that we increase our donations freely for the extension of the Kingdom of our Lord to the ends of all the earth. We should determine the resolution to give our time and service to the Lord above everything else in this life.

M. D. Miller, V. C. Cox, Com.

Rev. G. M. Watson appointed Associational Missionary.

Adjourned to meet with Laurel Fork Church Tuesday after the second Sunday in September 1931. Prayer by B. F. Wilcox.

So closed a very interesting session of the Stony Fork association.

Suggested by the Clerk that our churches raise the same amount asked for last year for the Co-operative Program.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Received For Minutes and Clerk Hire	$32.14	
For Co-operative Program	13.00	
Total		$45.14
Disbursements:		
Paid for Printing Minutes	25.00	
To Walters Durham	13.00	
Clerk Hire	15.00	
Total		$53.00
Balance Due Clerk		7.86
Gift to Association		5.00
Due Clerk still		2.86

B. F. Wilcox, Clerk & Treas.

We ask the Finance Com. to take $5.00 off of clerk hire.

Ordained Ministers

Ashley, W. D.	Blowing Rock, N. C.
Barnes, R. L.	Boone, "
Brown, G. W.	"
Brown, A. M.	"
Carroll, O. K.	Globe, "
Church, J. W.	Summit, "
Dellinger, O. C.	Linville, "
Robbins, Edd S.	Blowing Rock, "
Greer, R. G.	Fleetwood, "
Miller, M. D.	Triplett, "
Wheeler, D. M.	Bamboo, "
Wilcox, B. F.	Blowing Rock, "
Watson, G. M.	Darby, "
Watson, Luster	Deep Gap, "

LICENTIATES

R. A. Hartley,	Blowing Rock, N. C
J. C. Mann,	Banner Elk, "
Sam Keller,	" "
C. C. Triplett,	Triplett, "

Standing Committees

Order of Business—Moderator and Clerk.
Pastoral Support— M. W. Day.
Periodicals— D. M. Wheeler.
Sunday Schools— Joe Greene.
Christian Education— Rev. R. L. Barnes.
Digest of Letters— Z T Greene.
Obituaries— S T Icenhour.
Woman's Work— Minnie Day.
B Y P U Work— Ethel Day.
Missions— N L Harrison.
Hospitals— Rev. W D Ashley.
Ministerial Relief— Joe Wheeler.
Orphanage— G W Brown.
Resolutions— M D Miller.
Temperance— G M Watson.
Place and Preacher— H L Beshears.
Finance— Linley Hampton.
Nominations & Cor.— J. T. Woods.

Church Clerks & P. O.

Boones Fork, Mrs. W. B. Estes, Shulls Mills, N. C.
Doe Ridge, Alice Brown, Boone, "
Laurel Fork, J. G. Storie, Blowing Rock.
Mt. Vernon, N. L. Harrison, Blowing Rock.
Mt. Ephraim, V. C. Cox, Triplett.
Mt. Paran, J. L. Miller, Deep Gap.
Middle Cane, J. W. Hendrix, Stony Fork.
Poplar Grove, Z. T. Greene, Shulls Mills.
Rock Springs, J. T. Woods, Darby.
Rock View, Jeff Hodges, Triplett.
Sandy Flat, S. T. Icenhour, Blowing Rock.
Watauga, Mrs. L. M. Hodges, Banner Elk.
Yellow Hill, H. L. Beshears, Summit.

Roll of Messengers

Boones Fork— Herman Coffey.
Doe Ridge— G. W. Brown.
Hopkins Chapel— Not represented.
Laurel Fork— J. G. Storie, F. F. Holder.
Mt. Vernon— Minnie Day, N. L. Harrison, M. W. Day.
Mt. Ephraim— Austin Triplett, V. C. Cox.
Mt. Paran— J. L. Miller, Mhos, Miller, Elbert Watson.
Middle Cane— W. M. Minton, Robert E. Minton, J. W. Hendrix.
New Hopewell— Not represented.
Poplar Grove— Clayton Greene, James Austin.
Rock Springs — J. T. Woods.
Rock View— G. W. Hodges, Jasper Watson, Charlie Hodges.
Sandy Flat— Iredel Henderson, Z. V. Brown.
Watauga— Howard Townsend, Joe Fox.
Yellow Hill— H. L. Beshears.

TABLE I.—CHURCH MEMBERSHIP, SEPT. 1930.

CHURCHES	Constituted	PASTORS & P. O.	Days of Meeting	Members Last Year	Baptisms	Rec. by Letter	Statements	Restoration	Lost: By Letter	Excluded	Erased	Deaths	Total present Membership	Prayer Meetings	Revivals	Lord's Supper	Families Taking Recorder
Boones Fork	1871	W. D. Ashley, Blowing Rock	4	84	.....	..	..	..	5	..	.....	..	79	..	1	2	..
Doe Ridge	1894	G. W. Brown, Boone	4	14									14		1		
Laurel Fork		D. M. Wheeler, Bamboo	3	119	10			1	1			1	128	yes	1	1	
Mt. Vernon	1866	R. C. Eggers, Zionville	4	228	25	2		3	3	1		1	253	yes	2	2	2
Mt. Ephraim		Melvin Micheal,	1	169	19	1		1	6			1	183			1	
Mt. Paran		Henry Smith, Deep Gap	1		3	3							29			1	
Middle Cane		R. L. Barnes, Boone	3	28	3	2						1	32		1	1	
Poplar Grove	1872	G. W. Sabastian, Wilkesboro	2			1			3	2				yes	1	1	
Rock Springs		George Brown, Boone							2				57				
Rock View	1923	G. M. Watson, Boone	4	42	9			1	1	3		1	45		1	1	
Sandy Flat	1928	Robert Shore, Blowing Rock	2	64	1	2				3		2	61	yes	1	2	1
Watauga	1844	N. S. Hampton, Pineola	3	161	22		3	2		7	42	1	138		1	2	1
Yellow Hill	1850	Lee Miller, Walsh	3	123	1								124			1	2

No report from Hopkins Chapel and New Hopewell.

All churches are located in the country.

TABLE II.—SUNDAY SCHOOLS, September 1930.

CHURCHES	SUPERINTENDENTS & P. O.	Officers and Teachers	Beginners 3—5 Years	Primaries 6—8 Years	Juniors 9—12 Years	Intermediates 13—16 Years	Young People 17—24 Years	Adults 25 Years up	Cradle Roll	Total Enrolled	Average Attendance	School Graded?	Teachers with Diplomas	Baptisms from School	Mission Sunday school	Sunday school Expenses
Boones Fork	Mrs. Elma Gragg, Shulls Mills, N.C.	6	6	10	....	10	....	18	....	50	37	....	..	....	..	$10.00
Doe Ridge	No report															
Laurel Fork	Carl Triplett, Blowing Rock.	7								50					yes	
Mt. Vernon	Wm. Brown, Rutherwood	13	19	11	12	38		57		150	89		2	24		47.86
Mt. Ephraim	Austin Triplett, Triplett	7	8	10	12	15		23		75	65					8.00
Mt. Paran	Thomas Miller, Deep Gap	5	6	7	10	5	3	11		52						
Middle Cane	W. M. Minton, Mt. Zion.	5								42	28					3.40
Poplar Grove	Miss Lula Austin, Shulls Mills	9	6	7	17	15	31	16		100	51	yes	2			31.05
Rock Springs	No report.															
Rock View	W. L. Broyhill, Triplett	3								75						3.00
Sandy Flat	B. F. Wilcox, Blowing Rock	6		10	10	20		20		66	45					7.77
Watauga	L. M. Hodges, Banner Elk	10	27	12	12	18	45	16		140	95			15		13.85
Yellow Hill	Glenn Beshears, Summit.	13	23	15	13	17	19	32	13	132	68					11.47

Hopkins Chapel and New Hopewell not represented.

All churches located in the country.

Poplar Grove's S. S. is graded.

TABLE III.—FINANCIAL, September 1930.

CHURCHES	Pastor's Salary	Local Poor	Co op. Program.	Ministerial Relief	Asso. Missions	Building & Repairs	Home Missions	Other Objects	Orphanags	Hospitals	Incidentals	Minutes & Clerk	Pulpit Supply	S. S. Expenses	Total Missions & Benevolences &c.	GRAND TOTAL
Boones Fork	42.00								6.00			4.20	10.50	8.10	14.00	64.80
Doe Ridge	20.00								1.00			2.00				22.00
Laurel Fork	76.15	3.00					2.50		3.00		4.00	2.98	15.00	10.00	5.50	112.43
Mt. Vernon	244.33	8.35	9.75	4.02	3.42	9.00	8.35		46.00	4.73	9.00	5.92	35.65	47.86	78.55	428.16
Mt. Ephraim	53.75											3.25	18.00	8.00		83.00
Mt. Paran	18.65											.60		1.00		20.25
Middle Cane	20.79					40.00	40.00		10.00	10.00			6.22			87.01
Poplar Grove	197.05	2.75	9.00			16.97						4.05		31.05		243.45
Rock Springs	5.00											1.00				6.00
Rock View	50.00											1.50	1.25	3.00		56.25
Sandy Flat	29.58		10.00			21.35			31.60			3.75	2.86	7.79		84.58
Watauga	107.84	5.65	24.72			16.80			22.42			2.00	50.65	13.85		232.09
Yellow Hill	50.00							12.53				1.00		11.47		75.00

Hopkins Chapel and New Hopewell not represented. | Watauga pledges $25. for Co-op. Program next year.

Resolutions of Respect

We, the members of Sandy Flat Baptist church, wish to express our deepest sympathy in the death of our beloved sister, Emma Wilcox, wife of our association clerk.

Mrs. Emma Wilcox was born Feb. 2, 1878 and died Aug. 17, 1930. She united with the Baptist church in early life and was a devoted Christian and faithful to the church until her death.

Her departure means a great loss to the church, but God, in His infinite wisdom, always knows best and doeth all things well.

Resolved 1, That we, the members of Sandy Flat Baptist church, thank the heavenly Father for the beautiful Christian life of our deceased sister; we realize our loss is heaven's gain, therefore we bow in humble submission to the will of the allwise God.

2. We extend our sincere sympathy and love to the bereaved family.

3. That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the Biblical Recorder for publication, one to the family and one recorded on the church records. Respectfully submitted.

S. T. Icenhour, Z. V. Brown, Iredel H. Henderson, Com.

We, the members of Sandy Flat Baptist church, wish to express our deepest sympathy in the death of our beloved sister, Mrs. Grace Hollers. She united with the Baptist church when she was quite young and lived a consistent member until her death, Aug. 29, 1930. She leaves a devoted husband and one son. She will be sorely missed in the church and the home, most especially by her devoted husband and child. We commend them to the loving Saviour for comfort. Therefore be it resolved:

1. That we bow in humble submission to the will of God who called her home so suddenly yet so peacefully, and rejoice in the hope of reward that God has promised to the faithful.

2. That we extend to the bereaved ones our heartfelt sympathy.

3. That we present to them a copy of these resolntions and direct that a copy be sent to the Biblical Recorder for publication, and that a copy be recorded on the records of Sandy Flat church.

Respectfully submitted.

S. T. Icenhour, Z. V. Brown, Iredell H. Henderson, Com.

MINUTES

— OF THE —

Seventieth Annual Session

— OF THE —

Stony Fork Baptist Association

— HELD WITH —

Laurel Fork Baptist Church

Watauga County, North Carolina

SEPTEMBER 15 & 16, 1931

W. D. ASHLEY Moderator, - Blowing Rock, N. C.
B. F. WILCOX Clerk & Treas., - Blowing Rock, N. C.

Next Annual Session to be held at New Hopewell church
Tuesday after the second Sunday in September,
1932
Rev. E. D. Robbins to preach the Introductory Sermon,
Rev. J. T. McGuire alternate.

Will H. McGuire's Print, Brookside, N. C.

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Stony Fork Baptist Association

1931

Stony Fork Baptist Association met with the Laurel Fork church Tuesday, September 15, 1931 in its 70th annual session.

The congregation sang "How Firm a Foundation." Rev. I. C. Miller led in prayer. Song, "I Shall be at Home With Jesus."

B. F. Wilcox read Psalm 145 and J. A. McKaughan led prayer.

The annual sermon was delivered by B. F. Wilcox. Text, St. Matthew 6: 10: Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. The sermon seemed to appeal to the congregation and had a good effect.

G. M. Watson led in prayer.

The letters from the churches were called for and handed in and referred to committee on Digest of Letters.

Invited newly constituted churches. None present.

Invited correspondents and visitors. Rev. I. C. Miller from the Caldwell; Rev. J. T. McGuire, Rev. J. A. McKaughan, Rev E.M. Gragg, from Three Forks; Rev. T. K. Carroll from Avery County association, accepted seats.

The time of the present officers having expired, moved to suspend rules of the association and elect by acclamation.

Rev. W. D. Ashley elected Mod., B. F. Wilcox Clerk & Treas.

Empowered the Mod. and Clerk to make all temporary appointments.

Periodicals— R. H. Shore, W. C. Payne.
Digest of Letters— Delegates of Poplar Grove church.
Obituaries— J. T. McGuire, M. W. Day.
Woman's Work— Ethel Hodges.
B. Y. P. U.— Minnie Day.
Hospitals— G. M. Watson.
Ministerial Relief— J. A. McKaughan.
Resolutions— I. C. Miller.
Place and Preacher— Delegates of New Hopewell, H.L. Beshears.
Nominations and Correspondence— R L. Barnes, E. M. Gragg, A. M. Brown, W. C. Payne.

Devotional Exercises — Delegates of Laurel Fork church.

Report on Pastoral Support read by G. M. Watson. Discussed by J. T. McGuire, I. C. Miller, J. A. McKaughan, and Lee Church and adopted. [See "REPORTS", farther on.]

Adjourned one hour for dinner. Prayer by R. H. Shore.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Song, "Wonderful Love".

Rev. P. A. Hicks read John 21: 21 and made encouraging remarks and led in prayer.

Invited Correspondents and Visitors — Rev. P. A. Hicks from Three Forks and Charles E Maddry and C. A. Upchurch from the Raleigh association accepted seats.

Rev. C. E. Maddry addressed the association on the Co-operative Program.

Report on Old Ministers' Relief discussed by W. D. Ashley.

A motion prevailed that the association recommend the every-member canvass to the churches. N. L. Harrison, Linley Hampton, G. W. Brown were appointed a committee to arrange a com. of nine for the association.

Report on Temperance read by G. M. Watson. Spoken to by G. M. Watson, and C. A. Upchurch and adopted.

A collection was taken for Bro. Upchurch amounting to $7 75.

Report on Hospitals read by G. M. Watson and discussed by him and G. W. Brown and adopted.

Announced homes for the delegates.

Com on Devotional Exercises report Rev. I. C. Miller to preach tonight, Rev. R. H Shore to conduct devotional the association to meet at 9 a. m. Wednesday morning.

Dismissed by Rev. T. K Carroll.

NIGHT SERVICE—Rev. I. C. Miller read 1st Psalm. Rev. R.L. Barnes led in prayer. Bro Miller's theme: A Model Christian.

Second Day

Song: It will be sweet when we meet. Rev. B. K. Carroll read 1st Psalm. Rev. R. H. Shore led in prayer. Song: Brethren we have met to worship.

Invited correspondents and visitors. Rev. J. A. McMillan from Liberty association, accepted.

Report on Periodicals read by R. H. Shore and discussed by him and J. A. McKaughan, and I. C. Miller, and adopted.

Report on Sunday Schools read by Sister Hester Greene. Spoken to by R. H. Shore, Lee J. Church, I. C. Miller, C. E. Maddry, G.

W. Brown and B. F. Wilcox, and adopted.

Moved that the association elect a Sunday school director. Elected Bro. C. G. Triplett.

Report on Missions read by N. L. Harrison.

Report on Christian Education read by R. L. Barnes. Spoken to by R. L. Barnes, N. L. Harrison, J. T. McGuire, G. W. Hendrix J. A. McKaughan and R. H. Shore and adopted.

Report on Ministerial Relief read by J. A. McKaughan. Spoken to by him and adopted.

Report on Orphanage read by G. W. Brown. Song: Keep on Praying Grounds. Spoken to by J. A. McMillan and adopted.

Report on Every Member Canvass read by N. L. Harrison and adopted.

Adjourned one hour for dinner. Prayer by Rev. J. T. McGuire.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Song: More Like Thee. R. H. Shore read Psalm 95 and B. F. Wilcox led in prayer.

Report on B.Y.P.U. work read by Minnie Day and spoken to by Minnie Day and J. A. McKaughan and adopted.

Report on Woman's Work read and spoken to by Bertha Day and adopted.

Report on Obituaries read by T. K. Carroll and adopted.

Report on State of the Churches read by T. C. Hodges, spoken to by Carl Triplett and adopted.

Report on Place and Preacher read by G. M. Watson. Adopted.

Report on Resolutions read by G. M. Watson and spoken to by him and I. C. Miller and G. W. Brown and adopted.

Associational Missionary report submitted by G. M. Watson and discussed by him and G. W. Brown and adopted.

Finance Report read by F. L. Hampton and adopted.

Treas. report read by B. F. Wilcox and adopted.

Poplar Grove church asks for a letter of dismission. Granted.

Motion to adjourn prevailed to meet at time and place appointed by committee.

Lee J. Church led in singing Parting Hand which was heartily engaged in. Rev. I. C. Miller led in prayer. So closed a really lively session of the Stony Fork association.

Suggestion: Brethren and sisters, let us work and pray as never before, that the world may get the gospel of Christ.

REPORTS

PASTORAL SUPPORT

The great commission (Mark 16: 15) "Go ye into all the world ane preach the gospel to every creature", is a direct command to every true Christian even down through the ages. But since no individual can carry the command to completion, it necessarily becomes a departmental work.

Upon the pastoral department depends, to a great measure, the success of the entire command, for it is through the workings of the churches the other departments originate and are largely supported. Therefore, it behooves us as laymen and especially as deacons and other church officers to endeavor to enlist every member to his proportionate part in the support of the pastor. Thus we not only enable the pastor to preach periodically to his congregation but to visit among them, studying their needs as well as the Word and adapting his service to the greatest good for the furtherance of God's King at home and abroad. And, too, by enlisting the members in supporting the cause we may save many a new or young member from wandering off from the straight and narrow way, because if he is not enlisted in the right work he is in the wrong So seeing so much of the success or failure of the great cause depends upon our pastorial support may it be a resolution in every church of the association to make their utmost efforts to do at least a better part by their pastor in the future than they have in the past.

M. W. Day, Com.

TEMPERANCE

The question of temperance has been discussed for 69 years in this association and men have cried vehemently against the liquor traffiic but it seems that this is all that is done. When we as soldiers of Jesus Christ seem to be too weak to try to enforce any laws and the temperate men have come to the conclusion there is nothing we will do but talk, we appeal to the church men and women to break friendship with the liquor or intemperate persons and help to conquer the shame and degradation that it is bringing about.

G. M. Watson, Com.

HOSPITAL

The Baptists, under the divine Spirit of God, undertook to establish an institution for the sole purpose of careing for the sick and afflicted, which they succeeded in doing. Their dependence was upon the various associations, but we regret that now there is a decline in its support We regret that the Baptists do not patronize it more since God has prospered you. G. M. Watson, Com.

PERIODICALS

We believe the greatest reading matter we can have is the Bible, and that we should read it every day. It is good to have religious papers in our homes, such papers as Biblical Recorder, Charity and Children, the Fore Runner and others. We should not allow trashy literature in our homes. No parents should allow their children to read literature that would poison their minds, such as love stories, wild west stories as robbing and killing and getting by with it.

R. H. Shore.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS

We recommend that every church in the Stony Fork association make special effort to maintain an evergreen Sunday school. We believe in Baptist literature with the Bible, as Christ taught in the synnagogue on the Sabbath day and we should study and teach on the Sabbath day. Paul says: Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." We believe that all the officers and teachers should be God-loving and God-fearing men and women.

Joel E. Green, Com.

MISSIONS

There is no greater command in the Bible than one which sayes: "Go ye into all the world and make disciples of all nations", or, "Go and teach all nations."

To be a missionary either at home or abroad, is one of God's greatest works and one of our greatest opportunities.

To have the mission spirit and help give and send the gospel of Jesus Christ to humanity is not only the Christian's opportunity, but his greatest duty toward the upbuildidg of our Master's kingdom.

N. L. Harrison, Com.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

We believe in Christian education because the Bible teaches it. We first must be taught before we can teach. Paul said to Timothy: "Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that need not be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.

We have our schools and colleges supported by our Baptist people. We should patronize these schools; we should see that the Bible is taught in these schools in its purity, also that Baptist doctrines and principles are taught.

R. Linney Barnes.

OLD MINISTERS' RELIEF

It is our duty as churches and individuals to support financially the gospel ministry both while in active service in pastorates and mission work, and when and after they have by age or sickness become disable for active service. The Lord sayes, "They that preach

the gospel shall live of the gospel . . . And the laborer is worthy of his hire." Business corporations make provision for the support of their aged employees by placing them on a retired salary. Shall we the beneficiaries of the gospel do less for our brethren in the ministry when disabled by old age or disease.

Our Relief and Annuity Board located at Dallas, Texas is giving support to a large number of our aged worn out ministers just as far as they have the means, and the source of means is from our Baptist churches. If we will put on the Every Member canvass, and lead our people to give regular to the support of our Co-operative Program the Board will be able to give some support to a larger number of our needy old brethren of the ministry. Do not fail to make the Every Member canvass brethren.

J. A. McKaughan, Com.

ORPHANAGE

In 1885 the Baptists of N. C. organized and built a home for orphan children at Thomasville, N C. Since that time nearly 3000 children have been cared for. Not only are they clothed and fed but they are educated in many lines preparing them for life.

How can this wonderful work be continued? By the Baptist peo- of N. C. standing behind it and helping in every way possible. Let us as individuals, as a Sunday school, and church, examine ourselves and see if we are doing our duty toward this worthy institution as it depends entirely on the Baptist people for support. Systematic giving or the once-a-month offering is a fine way to give for this purpose. We recommend that each church adopt this plan of giving. Not only should we give of our means which God has blessed us with, but we should earnestly remember to pray that God will bless the great organization at Thomasville, N. C. We urge a great Thanksgiving offering at every church. G. W. Brown.

EVERY MEMBER CANVASS

Committees to put on the Every Member canvass in all the churches in the Stony Fork association appointed as follows:

W. D. Ashley, - - -	Blowing Rock, N. C.
Clingman Hodges & wife -	Hodges Gap, N. C.
G. W. Brown - - - - - -	Boone, N. C.

Respectfully submitted.

F. L. Hampton, G. W. Brown, N. L. Harrison.

B. Y. P. U. REPORT

Throughout the country there seems to be a great dearth of preachers and church leaders to take the places of the older heads who are rapidly passing out. The singing leaders stress the need of

younger members entering into that phase of the work. The Sunday schools, thru their teachers, try to impress the gospel truths and teachings in that respect. The pastors exhort them, "The fields are white unto harvest" and solicit more workers in the Kingdom. But none of these meet with sufficient success to supply the demand for the singing master is the leader, the Sunday school teacher does the teaching, and the preacher does the preaching

The B.Y.P.U. prepares our young people for leadership in the church by actually doing the work. The different phases of the organization is participated in and conducted by the individual members themselves and thus it becomes a stepping stone to greater responsibilities of the church. They learn to do by doing.

The B.Y.P.U. courses are planned to develop the devotional side and deepen our spiritual natures; to teach the great Bible truths, or Baptist doctrine; to inform its constituents about the various mission fields of the world, and their needs; and, finally to make a daily study of God's Word.

If we hope to cope with the times in this day specific training in all the activities of life, we must train our church leadership. Therefore we recommend that the pastors and present leaders of every church in this association organize and foster as many B. Y. P. U. organizations as the needs of their respective communities demand.

Minnie Day, Com.

WOMAN'S WORK

Woman's work, like all other Christian work, is divinely appointed and directed. It dates back to the very early Bible history, and has changed and grown with the times until today it is one of the great agencies in the advancement of Christianity throughout the entire world. And yet, it is very inadequate to meet the needs,and we must admit that it is very much neglected, especially so in our own little churches and association.

However, the Baptist women of this state are contributing much to the advancement of the Kingdom work through their united contributions and prayers. We believe that it is through prayer and and work that all good is accomplished, and of course much more is done when groups unite in a common cause than by the same individuals working separately.

Therefore, since the purpose of the woman's organization is to inform themselves of the needs and possibilities we insist that the women of all our churches join in this great work, and not only strengthen their own churches but help others; thus carrying our part of the command, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature". Mrs. Ethel Hodges, Bertha Day, Com,

OBITUARIES

We your committee on Obituaries, find that since our last annual meeting two, a brother and a sister have been called in death. They have fought their fight and finished their course and we trust their spirits are in the paradise of God, and may we all strive to meet them in the heaven above. J. T. McGuire, T. K. Carroll.

Following is a list of those who have died, as found by the Clerk reported in the associational letters:

Doe Ridge church— Mr. Manley Pennell and Mrs. Comily Pennell.
Laurel Fork— Mrs. Ida Greene, Monroe Hamlett.
Mt. Vernon— Mrs. Elizabeth Cook and Mrs. Inez Day.
Mt. Ephraim – Rev. M. D. Miller, Ross Triplett, Mrs. Nancy Hayes and Mrs. Rebecca Wheeler.
Poplar Grove — Mrs. Thursey Hodges.
New Hopewell— Mrs. Mary Dellinger Mrs. Bettie Coffey.
Watauga— George Perry and Mrs. Nettie Miller.
Yellow Hill— J. H. Hodges.

Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord; yea sayeth the Spirit they shall rest from their labors and their works do follow them.

DIGEST OF LETTERS

Last year 13 churches reported Pastors' Salaries	$1087.00
This year 15 " "	747.04
Last year 13 churches reported gains by Baptism	92
This year 15 " "	55
Last year 13 churches reported to Missions	111.32
This year 15 " "	55.60
Last year 13 churches reported Orphanage	152.57
This year 15 " "	270.55
Last year 13 churches reported Enrolled Students	799
This year 15 " "	1108
Last year 3 B.Y.P.U.	
This year 2 "	
Last year 13 churches reported Total Membership	1402
This year 15 " "	1412

PLACE AND PREACHER

We submit that the next session of the Stony Fork Association be held with New Hopewell church Tuesday after the second Sunday in September 1932. Rev. E. D. Robbins to preach the Introductory Sermon, Rev. J. T. McGuire alternate.

H. L. Beshears, W. F. Henderson, Dewey Coffey, Com.

RESOLUTIONS

Be it resolved, That we, the messengers and visitors of the Stony Fork association, express our appreciation to pastor and members of Laurel Fork church for their kind entertainment to us during our stay among them.

I. C. Miller.

MISSIONARY REPORT

I have visited a good many places and preached to some churches that were out of pastors and believe that much good has been accomplished. Received for work:

From Alice Hodges - -	$5.00
" Mrs. Slenia Watson -	1.00
" Mt. Ephraim church -	.25
Total, - - - -	$6.25.

G. M. Watson, Missionary.

FINANCE

Minute Funds and Clerk Hire.

Boones Fork	$ 3.00		
Laurel Fork	2.30		
Mt. Paran	.60		
Sandy Flat	2.90	Co-op. Program	$10.00
Doe Ridge	50	Co-op. Program	3.00
Mt. Vernon	6.58		
Middle Cane	1.50		
Rock Springs	1.00	Co-op. Program	1.00
Watauga	2.00		$14.00
Hopkins Chapel	1.66		
Mt. Ephraim	3.00		
New Hopewell	1.50		
Rock View	1.16		
Yellow Hill	1.75		
Paid by association on Minutes	33.90		

Allowed Clerk 10.00, leaving $23.90 for Minutes.

Minute Fund, $23.90, Co-op. Program $14.00, Total, $37.90

F. L. Hampton, H. L. Beshears, Com.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Received for Minutes	$33.75
Co-operative Program	10.00
Total Received . . .	$43.75

Disbursements:

Paid for Printing Minutes	$25.00
To Walters Durham	10.00
Total,	$35.00
Allowed Clerk	$15.00
Left over on Clerk Hire	8.75
Due Clerk,	$ 6.25
Gift to Association	5.00
Due Clerk still,	$ 1.25

B. F. Wilcox, Treas.

Ordained Ministers

Ashley, W. D.	Blowing Rock, N. C.
Barnes, R. L.	Boone, "
Brown, G W	" "
Brown, A M	" "
Carroll T K	Globe, "
Dellinger O C	Linville, "
Greene, Clayton	Bamboo, "
Robbins Edd S	Blowing Rock, "
Greer R G	Fleetwood, "
Wilcox B F	Blowing Rock, "
Watson G M	Deep Gap, "
Watson Luster	Deep Gap, "

LICENTIATES:

R A Hartley	Blowing Rock, "
J C Mann	Banner Elk, "
Sam Keller	Banner Elk, "
C C Triplett	Triplett, "
J M Walker	Triplett, "

Roll of Messengers

Boones Fork—Lloyd Coffey, Ruby Richards.
Doe Ridge—G. W. Brown.
Hopkins Chapel – Spencer Gragg, J. T. McGuire.
Laurel Fork—J. T. Ford, H. M. Storie, Carl Triplett.
Mt. Vernon—W J Cook, N L Hampton, N L Harrison.
Mt. Ephraim—V M Greer.
Mt. Paran—Wade Greene.
Middle Cane—Vonnie Greene, R L Barnes, J W Hendrix.
New Hopewell—W F Henderson, Denney Coffey.

Poplar Grove—Glenn Winkler, James Austin, T C Hodges.
Rock Spring—No delegates.
Rock View—Jasper Watson.
Sandy Flat—I H Henderson, Earl Colvard.
Watauga—L M Hodges, Howard Townsend.
Yellow Hill—H L Beshears, R G Beshears, Lee J Church.

Standing Committees

Order of Business— Moderator and Clerk.
Pastoral Support— R. L. Barnes.
Periodicals— N. L. Harrison.
Sunday Schools— Linley Hampton.
Christian Education— M W Day.
Digest of Letters— Lloyd Hodges.
Obituaries— G W Brown.
Woman's Work— Bertha Day.
B.Y.P.U. Work— Minnie Day.
Missions— W D Ashley.
Hospitals— G M Watson.
Ministerial Relief— H L Beshears.
Orphanage— Edd S Robbins.
Resolutions— G W Hendrix.
Temperance— Carl Triplett.
Place and Preacher— Lee J Church.
Finance— H M Storie.
Nominations— I H Henderson.

TABLE I.—CHURCH MEMBERSHIP SEPT. 1931.

CHURCHES	Constituted	PASTORS & P. O.	Days of Meeting	Members Last Year	Baptisms	Rec by Letter	Statements	Restored	Lost: By Letter	Excluded	Erasures	Deaths	Total Present Membership	Prayer Meetings	Revivals	Lord's Supper	Families Taking Recorder
Boones Fork	1871	E. C. Hodges, Boone, N.C.	4	79	.....	3	..	..	2	..	..	..	80	..	2	2	..
Doe Ridge	1894	G. W. Brown, Boone, N.C.	4	13									13		1	2	
Hopkins Chapel	1917	J. T. McGuire, Linville, "	3	27	8	3							38		1	1	
Laurel Fork	1855	W. D. Ashley, B. Rock, "	3		9	1		2		2	1	2	135	yes	1	1	
Mt. Vernon	1866	R. C. Eggers, Zionville,	4			2			8	1		2	223	yes	1	2	
Mt. Ephraim		Melvin Michael, Sourwood	1	183	10			1	9	3		4	178			1	
Mt. Paran	1885	Henry Smith, Deep Gap	1	27				1					28				
Middle Cane	1884	Linney Barnes, Boone	3	32									29		1	1	1
Poplar Grove	1872	L. A. Wilson, Boone	2	158						2		1	155		1	2	
New Hopewell	1870	J. T. McGuire, Linville	3	76	10	1	1	1					89	yes	1		
Rock Springs	1891	G. W. Brown, Boone	1	57	1				1				57				
Rock View	1923	G. M. Watson, Boone	4	45	1	2							48				
Sandy Flat	1928	E. D. Robins, B. Rock	2-4	61	4	6							71	yes	1	2	
Watauga	1844	N. S. Hampton, Pineola	3	138				1	1	2		2	133		1	2	1
Yellow Hill	1850	J. H. Wilcox, Summit.	3	124	11							1	133		1	1	

All the churches are located in the country.

TABLE II.—SUNDAY SCHOOLS, September 1931.

CHURCHES	SUPERINTENDENTS & P. O.		Officers and Teachers	Beginners 3—5 years	Primaries 6—8 years	Juniors 9—12 years	Intermediates 13—16 years	Young People 17—24 years	Adults 25 years up	Cradle Roll	Home Department	Total Enrolled	Average Attendance	Is School Graded?	No. Teachers with Diplomas	Mission School?	Enrollment in Mission school	Vacation School
Boones Fork	Mrs. Alma Gragg,	Shulls Mills, N. C.	6	5	7	10	6	12	24	5	.....	75	44	.....	..	.....	.....	.....
Doe Ridge	A. M. Brown,	Boone, "	3	18					14			35	21					
Hopkins Chapel	Ollie Coffey,	Edgemont, "		3	4	6	4	2	1			24	20					
Laurel Fork	Carl Triplett,	Blowing Rock, "	13	7	7	9	11	13	21	10	11	100	65			yes	25	20
Mt. Vernon	Wm. Brown,	Rutherwood, "	16	21	17	15	19	40	52	44	30	224	118	yes	2			
Mt. Ephraim	C. C. Triplett,	Triplett, "	7	5	10	15	15		30			82	75					
Mt. Paran	No Sunday school.																	
Middle Cane	W. M. Minton,	Mt. Zion, "	5	8		5	3		10	4			32					
Poplar Grove	Mrs. B. T. Robertson,	Shulls Mls. "	15										48					
New Hopewell	W. F. Henderson,	Gragg, "	4		12	12		10	10			49	35					
Rock Springs	Mrs. R. C. Woods,	Darby, "	4									71	50					
Rock View	Mrs. Della Cox,	Triplett, "	4										45					
Sandy Flat	Earl Colvard,	B. Rock, "	5															
Watauga	L. M. Hodges,	Banner Elk, "	10	35	20	20	21	26	28			160	100		1			
Yellow Hill	Olen Watson,	Summit, "	12	9	14	10	16	14	33			108	59					

Financial

CHURCHES	Co-op. Program	Pastor's Salary	Ministerial Help	State Missions	Building & Repairs	Foreign Missions	Christian Education	Oaphanage	Asso-Missions	Ministers Relief	Local Poor	Minutes & Clerk	S. S. Expenses	BYPU & WMU	Incidental	GRAND TOTAL
Boones Fork		32.00	16.91		20.50			4.00			1.77	4.25	8.23			87.66
Doe Ridge	2.00	20.00						1.00				50		1.11		21.61
Hopkins Chapel	12.00	28.00	12.00		50.00							1.66				103.00
Laurel Fork		27.25	20.05		100.00			69.55				2.30	15.00			234.15
Mt. Vernon	5.00	142.45	30.10		15.67			100.20	3.42	2.60	67.13	6.58	37.81		40.88	451.83
Mt. Ephraim		72.00	15.00								100.00	3.00	8.00		2.00	200.00
Mt. Paran		20.00										.60				20.60
Middle Cane		200 00						5.00			30.00	1.50				236.50
Poplar Grove		94.54		1.00	21.14	1.30	9.76	58 00					25.57		33.12	244.53
New Hopewell		32.40			100.00						3.75	1.50	10.32			147.97
Rock Springs	1.00	17.00									1.00	1.00	4.47			24.47
Rock View		31.00										1.16	2.00			34.16
Sandy Flat	10.00	46.32	12.00					18.84				2.90	11.01		20.00	121.07
Watauga	6.37	132.08	16.75					13.96			8.95	2.00	19.45		36.83	235 39
Yellow Hill		50.00			10.00							1.75	16.15			87.90

Poplar Grove paid to Home Missions 65c; Hospitals $1:50.

Regular Treasurers and Post Offices.

Boones Fork....Mrs. W. B. Estes, Shulls Mills, N. C.
Doe Ridge....
Hopkins Chapel....Ollie Coffey, Edgemont, "
Laurel Fork....J. G. Storie, Blowing Rock,
Mt. Vernon....M. W. Day, Blowing Rock,
Mt. Ephraim....C. T. Simmons, Triplett,
Mt. Paran....
Middle Cane....Alice Hodges, Darby,
Pop,ar Grove....Glenn Winkler, Shulls Mills, N. C.
New Hopewell....Dewey Coffey, Linville, "
Rock Sprlngs....J. F. Woods, Darby,
Rock View....J. F. Robbins, Darby,
Sandy Flat....Lillian Icenhour, Blowing Rock,
Watauga....L. M. M. Hodges, Banner Elk,
Yellow Hill....H. L. Beshears, Summit.

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— HELD WITH —

NEW HOPEWELL BAPTIST CHURCH

SEPTEMBER 13 & 14,

1932

G. M. WATSON Moderator, - Boone, N. C.

B. F. WILCOX Clerk & Treas., - Blowing Rock, N. C.

Next session to be held at Yellow Hill church, Summit, N.C. Tuesday after the second Sunday in September, 1933.

Rev. J. T. McGuire to preach the introductory sermon, Rev. G. M. Watson, alternate.

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1932

Stony Fork Baptist Association met with New Hopewell church Sept. 13 and 14, 1932 in its 71st annual session.

Sang "On Jordan's Stormy Banks I Stand" and "Saviour More Than Life to Me." B. F. Wilcox led in prayer. Song: "I Need the Prayers of Those I Love."

Rev. J. T. McGuire read Rev. 11—15 verses and preached the introdudtory sermon. Theme: The General Judgement. The sermon was very forceful and gladly accepted by all present.

Bro. Carl Triplett led in prayer.

Letters called for and handed in and were referred to the Com. on Digest of Letters.

Called for newly constituted churches. Delegates from Carroll's Chapel presented their letter. A committee was appointed to examine their articles of faith. Lee J. Church, H. L. Beshears, and I. H. Henderson composed the committee.

Invited correspondents and visitors: Rev. E. M. Gragg from Three Forks asked for a seat and was accepted.

The time of the present officers now expires Went into election of moderator and clerk, Lee J. Church and I. H. Henderson,tellers.

Song: "When I shall Cross over the Dark Rolling Tide."

Tellers report G. M. Watson Mod. and B. F. Wilcox Clk.-Treas.

Com. appointed to examine Carroll's Chapel's articles of faith report favorable. The Association extended the right hand of fellowship to delegates and the church was received.

Song: "Keep on Praying Grounds."

Rev. J. M. Page from Raleigh reported and was welcomed to a seat in the association.

Moderator and clerk are empowered to make all temporary appointments added to chairmen of committees.

Periodicals— Roy Keller.

Sunday Schools—Linley Hampton.

Christian Education—M. W. Day.

Digest of Letters— Rev. R. L. Barnes, S. T. Icenhour.

Obituaries— G. W. Brown.

Woman's Work— Bertha Day.

B. Y. P. U.— Minnie Day.

Missions— J. M. Page.
Hospitals— G. M. Watson.
Ministerial Relief— H. L. Beshears
Orphanage— J. T. McGuire, Lee J. Church.
Temperance— Carl Triplett.
Resolutions— A. T. Townsend, M. R. Walters.
Place and Preacher— Lee J. Church.
Finance— Roy Keller, H. L. Beshears, I. H. Henderson.
Nominations— I. H. Henderson, R. L. Barnes.
Devotional Exercises— Delegates of New Hopewell church.
Adjourned one hour for dinner. Prayer by B. F. Wilcox.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Song: "Saved by the Blood." Devotional by Rev. G. W. Brown. Prayer by Rev J. M. Page.

Report on Missions read by J. M. Page. Spoken to by J. M. Page and G. M. Watson and adopted. [See "REPORTS" farther on.]

Report on Christian Education read by Roy Keller. Spoken to by G. M. Watson and G. W. Brown and adopted.

Report on Woman's Work read by W. M. Brown. Spoken to by J. T. McGuire and adopted.

Report on B. Y. P U. read by Linley Hampton. Spoken to by Roy Keller, J. M. Page and Linley Hampton and adopted.

Report on Hospitals read by G M. Watson. Spoken to by G. M. Watson and adopted.

Report on Pastoral Support read by H. L. Beshears. Spoken to by J. M. Page and Scott Coffey and adopted.

Appointed a promotion committee: Lee J. Church, Linley Hampton, Carl Triplett, Roy Keller, and Will Brown.

Report on Orphanage read by G. M. Watson. Spoken to by Lee J. Church, Carl Triplett, G. W. Brown, J. M. Page, J. T. McGuire and adopted.

Motion to adjourn to meet 9 a. m. to-morrow. Song: "I Expect to Wear a Crown Some Day."

Com on Devotional report B. F. Wilcox to preach to-night.

L. E. Gragg announced homes for the delegates.

Second Day

Song: "Keep on Praying Grounds."

R. L. Barnes read John 14 ch 1—14 verse. Song: "How Firm a Foundation." Lee J. Church led in prayer. Read the minutes of yesterday. Called roll and marked absentees.

Roy Keller read report on Periodicals Spoken to by R. Keller,

G. M. Watson, R. L. Barnes, G. W. Brown, B. F. Wilcox, Carl Triplett, and adopted.

Report on Sunday schools read by Linley Hampton Spoken to by Carl Triplett, Lee J. Church, William Brown, N. R. Walters and adopted.

Report on Temperance read by Carl Triplett Spoken to by Carl Triplett, Scott Coffey, G. W. Brown, Lee J. Church, I. H. Henderson, B. F. Wilcox, Linley Hampton and R. L. Barnes and adopted.

Report on Ministerial Relief read by R. L. Barnes Spoken to by R. L. Barnes and adopted.

Report on Obituaries read by William Brown. Spoken to by Wm. Brown, G. W. Brown, and adopted.

Report on Finance read by Roy Keller and adopted.

Report on Place and Preacher read by Lee J. Church. Adopted.

Report on Correspondence read by G. M. Watson and adopted.

Report on Resolutions read by G. M. Watson and adopted.

Treasurer's Report read by B. F. Wilcox and adopted.

A motion prevailed to hold Bro. Carl Triplett as Sunday school director.

REPORTS

MISSIONS

Jesus said, "All authority hath been given unto me in heaven and on earth, go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit; teaching them to observe whatsoever I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world."

This is the platform of all New Testament churches Any organization that fails to try to obey this command of our Lord has no right to claim that it is a New Testament church.

Respectfully submitted,

J. M. Page.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Every normal child that comes into this world, comes endowed with capacity and natural facilities for making the mature character his Creator intended. Yet, what he does become depends, largely, upon his acquirements through training and environments from infancy, through the years, to maturity.

Early training and the establishment of habits in early life make lasting impressions that have a great influence on the entire life, either for good or bad. Nevertheless, they may be very much eclipsed if not wholly overcome by constant contradictions in later train-

ing and social environments.

Therefore, if we expect to do our part in christianizing the world we must not only endeaver to establish Christian homes and communities for the starting of childhood, but it becomes necessary that we do all we can to help maintain the Christian institutions for the training of our young people.

M. W. Day, Committee.

WOMAN'S WORK

God has a specific service for every one. It is true, "when one fails to do his part," as many of us do, "it is bridged over and the world moves on." Yet God's cause is maimed to the extent of the failer. (Ecclesiastes 9: 10,) "Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do,do it with thy might", is equally applicable to each individual, regardless of race or sex. When the Master gives us vision to see a need, I believe He holds us responsible to that extent – from the giving of a cup of cold water in his name to the proclaiming of "his Word" from the pulpit, or like Stephen, the submitting of our bodies for his cause.

Of course, many of us, like Jonah, try to evade duty by running from it and trying to hide. And many, especially we women, like Moses, plead our weakness and inabilities as causes for our exemption. But the same God that kept an eye on Jonah, keeps watch over his people today, and the same God that assured Moses that He would be with him, is with those who are engaged in his service always.

So whether our work is singly or in unions, the women, as well as the men, in all the churches of our association should be enlisted and encoraged in the work their hands find to do.

Bertha Day, Committee.

B. Y. P. U. WORK

The wise man said, "Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it." That proverb has never lost its significance As we train our young people so may we expect them to go. Our activities on this earth are limited. What we do we must do quickly. Our predecessors have stepped off the stage of action and left upon us the responsibility of passing on the "glad news"—of telling the world the way of life. We, too, in turn, will soon pass on. Then upon whom will this obligation fall other than the younger generation? And how will they meet the same without preparation? Self activity gives the most direct results. There is no other place that affords just such an opportunity for such training as in the Baptist Young People's Union.

The courses for such are planned not only to promote and encour-

age the study of the Bible, but also to deepen a devotional worshipful spirit, as well as train in a business-like way for carrying on work

Therefore we recommend to every church of this association that each church sponsor and encourage as many such organizations as the constituancy of the respective churches wil demand.

Minnie Day, Committee.

Committee on Devotional Exercises appointed B. F. Wilcox to preach. Met as per appointment. G. M. Watson led in prayer. B. F. Wilcox read 8th Psalm. Text in 1st and last verses: "Oh Lord." Theme, Emotional Religion. G. M. Watson made some remarks.

The service was spiritual and seemed to be enjoyed by all

HOSPITAL

A few years ago the Baptists of North Carolina saw the need of its people the need of same and to render aid to when in distress, and a place to resort when the hand of affliction is laid upon them, so through prayer and the direction of the Holy Spirit they were led to build a hospital at Winston-Salem and since its founding it has cared for many hundreds. But the greatest burden has been that they have had to undergo many hardships on account of the neglect of the churches. Brethren let us first give our prayers, then give of our means.

G. M. Watson.

PASTORAL SUPPORT

The great commission (Mark 16:15) "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature", is a direct command to every true Christian even down through the ages. But since no individual can carry the command to completion, it necessarily becomes a departmental work.

Upon the pastoral department depends, to a great measure, the success of the entire command, for it is through the workings of the churches the other departments originate and are largely supported. Therefore, it behooves us as laymen, and especially as deacons and other church officers, to endeavor to enlist every member to his proportionate part in the support of the pastor. Thus we not only enable the pastor to preach periodically to his congregation but to visit among them, studying their needs as well as the Word and adapting his service to the greatest good for the furtherance of God's Kingdom at home and abroad. And, too, by enlisting the members in supporting the cause we may save many a new or young member from wandering off from the straight and narrow way, because if he isn't enlisted in the right work he is in the wrong. So seeing so much of the success or failure of the great cause depends upon our pastoral support, may it be a resolution in every church of the association

to make their utmost efforts to do at least a better part by their pastor in the future than they have in the past.

H. L. Beshears, Com.

ORPHANAGE

In 1885 the Baptists of N. C. organized and built a home for orphan children at Thomasville, N. C. Since that time nearly 3000 children have been cared for. Not only are they clothed and fed, but they are educated in many lines, preparing them for life.

How can this wonderful work go on? By the Baptist people of N. C. standing behind it and helping in every way possible. Let us as individuals, as Sunday school, and church, examine ourselves and see if we are doing our duty toward this worthy institution as it depends entirely on the Baptist people for support.

Systematic giving or the once-a-month offering is a fine way to give for this purpose. We recommend that each church adopt this plan of giving. Not only should we give of our means which God has blessed us with, but we should earnestly remember to pray that God will bless the great organization at Thomasville, N. C.

J. T. McGuire, Lee J. Church.

PERIODICALS

We realize that in this age of fast living we, as Christians, must co-operate in our efforts to combat the world's attractions. This we can do only when we keep ourselves informed as to what other Baptists are doing. The best means that we know of to do this is thru our Baptist periodicals such as Charity and Children, Biblical Recorder, B.Y.P.U. Monthly Magazine, Home and Foreign Missions, and other equally enlightening magazines.

Roy Keller, Com.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS

Since the membership of the S. S. is compooed of both the Christians and the unsaved, we realize that the S.S. has a great opportunity as a missionary agency. We further realize that the S. S. is the teaching agency of the Church where God's plan of salvation is embedded in the minds of the youth and the unsaved of the community. Therefore we heartily recommend that each church in Stony Fork association maintain a lively S.S. throughout the year in order that we may "have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather reprove them." (Eph. 5: 11.)

F. L. Hampton, Com.

TEMPERANCE

Temperance, as used in the Scriptures, means self control, and teaches temperance in all things and moderation toward all men.

This virtue consists in a confirmed habit of governing all affections, passions and appetites of our nature. Temperate in mind and temperate in habit. We should elect men to office who have due regard for law and their oath of office, and then as Christians we should help create and sustain a public sentiment against the bootlegger and blind tiger and help to enforce the law.

There are also social evils that relate to the public morals of our land, Sabbath breaking, card parties and modern dances, together with automobile riding, and bathing pools with mixed sexes by our young people at night without being properly guarded. Also, the loose discipline in our homes by not properly controling our children and teaching the danger that awaits them in crime and dishonor.

Brethren, let us awake and work for our Master.

Carl Triplett, Committee.

DIGEST OF LETTERS

Pastors' Salaries

Boones Fork	$ 27.16	Rock View	32.65
Watauga	63.72	New Hopewell	24.15
Mt. Ephraim	50.75	Mt. Paran	15.00
Yellow Hill	50.00	Sandy Flat	15.22
Laurel Fork	31.00	Hopkins Chapel	30.00
Mt. Vernon	144.67	Total	$484.37.

Eight churches gained by Baptism 29. 4 churches gave to Orphanage $144.79. Two paid to Missions $10.17. 12 churches report students in S. S. 975. 12 churches report Membership 1127.

R. L. Barnes.

MINISTERIAL RELIEF

It is our duty as churches and individuals to support financially the gospel ministry both while in active service in pastorates and mission work, and when and after they have by age or sickness become disable for active service. The Lord says, "They that preach the gospel shall live of the gospel . . And the laborer is worthy of his hire." Business corporations make provision for the support of their aged employees by placing them on a retired salary. Shall we the beneficiaries of the gospel do less for our brethren in the ministry when disabled by old age or disease?

Our Relief and Annuity Board located at Dallas, Texas, is giving support to a large number of our aged wornout ministers just as far as they have the means, and the source of means is from our Baptist churches. If we will put on the every-member canvass, and lead our people to give regular to the support of our Co-operative Program the Board will be able to give some support to a larger number of our needy old brethren of the ministry. Make the canvass.

R. L. Barnes, Com.

OBITUARIES

According to our report we find that since we last met, nine of our fellow workers have gone on to their reward. We are persuaded their life's work is ended and God has called them to their eternal rest. We miss their presence, but their work still lives in our churches. Their passing impresses on our minds this thought: Be ye also ready, for in such an hour as ye think not, the Son of man cometh.

Those who have passed on are as follows:

New Hopewell— Mrs. Etta Coffey.

Rock View— Mrs. Ester Hodges.

Mt. Paran— Mrs. Nancy Miller, Mr. Enoch Minton.

Mt. Vernon— Mrs. A. L. Harrison. Mrs Benjaman Harrison, Mrs. John Hartley, and Mr. Edward Hampton.

Mt. Ephraim— Emma Cox.

William Brown.

FINANCE REPORT

For Minute Fund and Clerk Hire

Boones Fork	$ 1.50	New Hopewell	$ 1.50
Doe Ridge		Rock Spring	
Hopkins Chapel		Rock View	1.50
Laurel Fork	2.75	Sandy Flat	2.60
Mt. Vernon	3.85	Watauga	2.00
Mt. Ephraim	2.00	Yellow Hill	1.50
Mt. Paran	.60	Carroll's Chapel	.60
Middle Cane		Paid by asso. on Min.	$20.40
		Allowed Clerk	$10.00

Roy Keller, H. L. Beshears, I. H. Henderson, Comm.

PLACE AND PREACHER

We the committee on Place and Preacher report:

Yellow Hill on Tuesday after the second Sunday in September 1933. Rev. J. T. McGuire to preach the introductory sermon, alternate, Rev. G. M. Watson.

Lee J. Church, N. R. Walters.

RESOLUTIONS

We, the committee on Resolutions, wish to express our thanks to New Hopewell for their fine hospitality and great kindness during this session of the Stony Fork association.

N. R. Walters.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Received for Minute Fund	$ 35.14	
" For Co-operative Program	14.00	
Total		$ 49.14
Disbursements:		
To Walters Durham for Co-op. Program	$ 14.00	
Clerk Hire	10.00	
Printer yet to be Paid	24.50	
Postage	.83	
Total		$ 49.33

Due Clerk 19c.

B. F. Wilcox, Clerk.

A motion prevailed to adjourn to meet with Yellow Hill church Tuesday after the second Sunday in September 1933.

B. F. Wilcox closed the association by making some remarks, and a general hand shake. The power of the Holy Spirit prevailed. So closed a real interesting session. Prayer by Rev. J. A. McMillan, of Thomasville.

Roll of Messengers

Boones Fork— N. R. Walters.
Carrolls Chapel— Virgil Gragg, Spencer Gragg.
Doe Ridge— Not represented.
Hopkins Chapel— D. L. Chester.
Laurel Fork— Carl Triplett, Arthur Triplett, W. S. Triplett.
Mt. Vernon— W. M. Brown, N. W. Day, Linley Hampton.
Mt. Ephraim— Ina Hodges.
Mt. Paran— No delegate.
Middle Cane— No delegate.
New Hopewell— Argie Gragg, Fonze Henderson, Cenia Henderson, N. Gragg.
Rock Springs— No del.
Rock View— C. E. Hodges.
Sandy Flat— I. H. Henderson, S. T. Icenhour, Ruby Henderson.
Watauga— A. T. Townsend.
Yellow Hill— Lee J. Church, H. L. Beshears, Stephen Church.

Ordained Ministers

Ashley, W. D.	Blowing Rock,	N. C.
Barnes, R. L.	Boone,	"
Brown, G. W.	"	"
Brown, A. M.	"	"
Carroll, T. K.	Globe,	"
Dellinger, O. C	Linville,	"

Robbins, Edd S.	B. Rock,	N.C.
Greer, R. G.	Fleetwood,	"
Wilcox, B. F.	B. Rock,	"
Watson, G. M.	Boone,	"
Walker, J. M.	Triplett,	"
Watson, Luster	Deep Gap,	"

Licentiates:

R. A. Hartley,	Blowing Rock,	"
J. B. Mann,	Banner Elk,	"
Sam Keller,	"	"
C. C. Triplett,	Triplett,	"

Church Clerks and P. O.

Boones Fork	Mrs. W. B. Estes,	Shulls Mills,	N. C.
Carrolls Chapel	Jessie A. Gragg,	Linville,	"
Doe Ridge	Not represented.		
Hopkins Chapel	Spencer Gragg,	Linville,	"
Laurel Fork	J. G. Storie,	Blowing Rock,	"
Mt Vernon	Minnie Day,	"	"
Mt Ephraim	V. C. Cox,	Triplett,	"
Mt Paran	J. L. Miller,	Deep Gap,	"
Middle Cane	Not represented.		
New Hopewell	Dewey Coffey,	Gragg,	"
Rock Springs	J. T. Woods,	Darby	"
Rock View	Jeff Hodges,	Triplett,	"
Sandy Flat	S. T. Icenhour,	Blowing Rock,	"
Watauga	Mrs. L. M. Hodges,	Banner Elk,	"
Yellow Hill	H. L. Beshears,	Summit,	"

NOMINATIONS

Ex. Committee: Lee J. Church, Linley Hampton, G. M. Watson, J. B. Hodges.

Sunday School Director: Carl Triplett.

Delegates to Bap. State Convention: Revs. W. D. Ashley, B. F. Wilcox

Corresponding Messengers to associations:

To Ashe, Rev. G. W. Brown.

To Three Forks, W. D. Cook.

To Caldwell, N. R. Walters

To Avery, I. H. Henderson.

To Brushy Mountain, Rev. W. D. Ashley.

TABLE 1. CHURCH MEMBERSHIP SEPT. 1932.

CHURCHES	CON	PASTORS & P. O.	Days of Meeting	Members Last Year	Baptisms	Rec by Letter	Statements	Restored	Lost By Letters	Excluded	Erasure	Deaths	Total Present Membership	Prayer Meetings	Revivals	Lord's Supper	Subscribers to Recorder
Boones Fork	1871	E. C. Hodges, Boone, N.C.	2	80	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	84		1	2	..
Carrolls Chapel	1932	T. K. Carroll, Linville, N.C.	1										9				
Hopkins Chapel	1917	T. K. Carroll, Linville,	1		7								26				
Doe Ridge	1894	No report															
Laurel Fork	1855	Maston Bradshaw,	3		1	2			2	3			130			1	
Mt Vernon	1866	R C Eggers, Zionville,	4	223	4				1			4	218		1	2	1
Mt Ephraim		Melvin Michael,		178	3			1					181				
Mt Paran	1886	Henry Smith, Stony Fork	1										27				
Middle Cane	1884	No report															
New Hopewell	1870	J T McGuire, Linville,	3	89	1			5				1	94	yes	1	1	
Rock Springs	1891	Henry Smith,	3	57									57		1	1	
Rock View	1923	G M Watson, Boone	4	48	2			2		1		1	50		1	1	
Sandy Flat	1928	R H Shore, Blowing Rock,	2		7	2	1	1	2	1	5		74	yes	2	2	
Watauga	1844	R C Eggers, Zionville,		133						1		4	128				
Yellow Hill	1850	J H Wilcox, Summit	3	133									133		1	1	

TABLE II. SUNDAY SCHOOLS SEPT. 1932.

CHURCHES	SUPTS. & P. O.	Officers and Teachers	Beginners 3—5 Years	Primaries 6—8 Years	Juniors 9—12 Years	Intermediates 13—16 Years	Young People 17—24 Years	Adults 25 Years Up	Cradle Roll	Home Department	Total Enrolled	Average Attendance	Is School Graded?
Boones Fork	Not given.	7	2	6	7	6	8	25	3	.....	64	41	no
Carrolls Chapel	Virgil Gragg, Linville, N.C.	2	6	6	5		1	2			22		yes
Doe Ridge	Not represented.												
Hopkins Chapel	Ethel Clark, Edgemont,	1	6	4	5						15		
Laurel Fork	W. S. Hampton, Blowing Rock	13	6	6	20	11	17	32	3		104		
Mt Vernon	W. M. Brown, Boone,	16	10	18	17	29	51	27	45	16	229		
Mt Ephraim	Virgil Carroll, Triplett	6									60		
Mt Paran	G. S. Watson, Deep Gap	3	6	10	6	8	6	10			46	35	
Middle Cane	Not represented												
New Hopewell	Dewey Coffey, Gragg	4			12	7		11	6			38	
Rock Springs	Mrs. R. C. Woods, Darby											30	
Rock View	W. L. Broyhill, Triplett	4	6	10	5	5	4	15				45	
Sandy Flat	Earl Colvard, Blowing Rock	8	9	9	10	12	8	17			73	60	
Watauga	L. M. Hodges, Banner Elk										160	120	
Yellow Hill	A. H. Beshears, Summit	12	10	14	10	16	15	33			110	60	

TABLE III. FINANCIAL SEPT. 1932.

CHURCHES	TREASURERS. & P. O.	Co-op. Program	Pastor's Salary	Ministerial Help	Home Missions	Orphanage	Minutes & Clerk	Old Ministers	Other Gifts	Sunday School Ex	Hospitals
Boones Fork	Mrs. W. B. Estes, Shulls Mills	.....	22.16	7.09	.....	6.00	1.50	6.00	9.59	.....	.....
Carrolls Chapel	Jesse A. Gragg, Linville.						.60		2.50		
Doe Ridge	Not represented.						.50				
Hopkins Chapel			30.00						5.00		
Laurel Fork	J. G. Storie, Blowing Rock		31.05	10.00		38.73	3.25		25.00	37.45	2.00
Mt Vernon	M. W. Day, "	3.00	144.67	25.20	5.72	13.67	7.05	6.49	44.30	54.06	4.14
Mt Ephraim	V. C. Cox, Triplett		50.75	10.00			3.00		50.00	8.00	
Mt Paran	J. L. Miller, Deep Gap		15-00				.60				
Middle Cane	Not represented						1.50			12.29	
New Hopewell	Dewey Coffey, Gragg		24.15								
Rock Springs	J. T. Woods, Darby		6.00								
Rock View	J. F. Robbins, Triplett		32.65				1.50			2.00	
Sandy Flat	Mrs. S. T. Icenhour, B. Rock		15.22	25.00		10.00	4.60		20.00	12.00	
Watauga	Mrs. L. M. Hodges, Banner Elk	4.45	63.72			16.39	2.00		15.90	19.08	
Yellow Hill	H. L. Beshears, Summit		50.00	25.00			1.50		20.00	15.00	

Standing Committees to Report for 1933

Order of Business— Moderator and Clerk.
Missions— Linley Hampton.
Pastoral Support— L. M. Hodges.
Ministerial Relief— Rev. B. F. Wilcox.
Duties of Pastors to Churches— Rev. W. D. Ashley.
Christian Education— S. T. Icenhour.
Sunday Schools— Carl Triplett.
Orphanage— C. E. Hodges.
State of Churches— Roy Keller.
Temperance— Rev. G. M. Watson.
Woman's Work— Minnie Day.
B. Y. P. U.— H. L. Beshears.
Hospitals— C. C. Triplett.
Nominations— H. M. Storie.
Obituaries— E. L. Watson.
Digest of Church Letters— R. C. Woods.
Finance— W. M. Minton.
Resolutions— Rev. T. K. Carroll.
Place and Preacher— M. W. Day.

Stony Fork Baptist Association

SEVENTY-SECOND ANNUAL SESSION

— HELD WITH —

YELLOW HILL BAPTIST CHURCH

SUMMIT, N. C.

SEPTEMBER 12 AND 13, 1933.

Stony Fork Baptist Association

NEXT SESSION

Tuesday and Wedneeday after the second Sunday in September,

1934

With Mt. Vernon Baptist Church,
Bamboo, N. C.

Rev. R. H. Shores to preach the introductory sermon.
Alternate, Rev. Carl Triplett.

Officers of the Association

Rev. B. F. Wilcox, Moderator, -	Blowing Rock, N. C.
Roy Keller, Clerk, - - -	Blowing Rock, N. C.

Ordained Ministers

Ashley, W. D.	Blowing Rock, N. C.
Brown, A. M.	Boone, N. C.
Brown, G. W.	"
Church, John	Summit, N. C.
Greer, R. G.	"
Keller, Sam	Banner Elk, N. C.
Mann, J. C.	"
Robbins, Ed	Blowing Rock, N. C.
Triplett, Carl	"
Watson, G. M.	Boone, N. C.
Wilcox, B. F.	Blowing Rock, N. C.

Roll of Messengers

Boones Fork— No messengers.
Carrolls Chapel— No messengers.
Doe Ridge— Toy Miller, G. W. Brown, Kenneth Brown.
Hopkins Chapel— No messengers.
Laurel Fork— Arthur Triplett.
Mt. Ephraim— J. B. Hodges.
Mt. Paran— No messengers.
Mt. Vernon— W. J. Cook, F. L. Hampton, Roy Keller.
Middle Cane— No messengers.
New Hopewell— No messengers.
Rock Springs-- No messengers.
Rock View— C. E. Hodges.
Sandy Flat— B. F. Wilcox.
Watauga— No messengers.
Yellow Hill— Lee J. Church, Laura Beshears, H. L. Beshears.

ON Tuesday September 12, 1933, the Stony Fork Baptist Association convened at the Yellow Hill Baptist church for its seventy-second annual session,

It was called to order by Moderator G. M. Watson who asked that two songs might be sung. "The Time is Swiftly Passing" and "I Know It Is So" were sung by the congregation.

Since Rev. J. T. McGuire, who was to preach the introductory sermon was absent, Rev. G. M. Watson, the alternate, brought us the message. He first read eleven verses from the 3rd chapter of Galatians. After prayer by Rev. S. E. Phillips and the song "Don't You Want to Go", brother Watson using the text — Now faith is the substance of things hoped for — brought us a helpful message. After the sermon Rev. J. A. McMillan led in prayer.

"My Loving Ones are Waiting for Me" was sung.

The letters from the churches were received and referred to the committee on Digest of Letters.

Opened doors of the Association for any church which might desire to join us and received no response.

We welcomed the following correspondents and visitors into the Association: Rev. J. A. McMillan from the Liberty association, Lee Beshears from the Brushy Mtn. association, S. E. Phillips from the Blue Ridge association, E. R Mikeal from the Three Forks association, and J. H. Wilcox from the Ashe association.

The time had now arrived for the election of officers for the ensuing year and Rev. J. A. McMillan was asked to serve as teller. He reported that B. F. Wilcox was elected Moderator and Roy Keller, Clerk.

"Tell My Friends I'm Coming" was sung

At this time Rev. Eugene Olive, pastor of the First Baptist church of North Wilkesboro, and Rev. Melvin Mikeal of the Three Forks association, were invited to sit with the Association.

The Association empowered the Moderator and Clerk to appoint Chairmen where necessary, and assistants on all Committees. The following are the appointments:

Missions—F. L. Hampton and Eugene Olive.
Pastoral Support—Lee J. Church and R. L Barnes.
Ministerial Relief—B. F. Wilcox and G. M. Watson.
Duties of Pastors to Churches—G. W. Brown, W. J. Cook.
Christian Education—J. A. McMillan and Roy Keller.
Sunday Schools—W. J Cook and A. M. Brown.
Orphanage—C. E. Hodges.
State of Churches—Roy Keller.

Temperance— G. M. Watson.
Women's Work— Minnie Day.
B. Y. P. U.— Eugene Olive and H. L. Beshears.
Hospitals— G. M. Watson and R. L. Barnes.
Nominations— J. O. Cardwell and J. H. Wilcox.
Periodicals— Melvin Mikeal and Lee Beshears.
Obituaries — Toy Miller and Kenneth Brown.
Digest of Letters — R. L. Barnes, H. L. Beshears, Lee J. Church
Finance— F. L. Hampton and E. R. Mikeal.
Resolutions— J. H Wilcox and A. M. Brown.
Place and Preacher— W. J. Cook and F. L. Hampton.

On a motion the Association adjourned till 1 p. m. for dinner.

B. F. Wilcox pronounced the benediction.

AFTERNOON SESSION

"Amazing Grace" was sung by the congregation.

G. W. Brown read John 14: 1—4, commented on it and led in prayer. "It Satisfies" was sung by the congregation.

The delegates of Yellow Hill church were then appointed as a Committee on Devotion.

F. L. Hampton read the report on Missions. It was discussed by Eugene Olive, Lee Beshears and B. F. Wilcox. Report adopted.

R. L. Barnes read and discussed the report on Pastoral Support. Report adopted.

G. M. Watson read and discussed the report on Ministerial Relief. He was assisted in the discussion by Eugene Olive. Report adopted.

J. A. McMillan read and discussed the report on Christian Education. G. M. Watson and Roy Keller also discussed it. Adopted.

Eugene Olive read and discussed the report on B.Y.P U. H. L. Beshears, Roy Keller and W. J. Cook also discussed it. Report adopted.

G. M. Watson read the report on the Orphanage. J. A. McMillan and W. J. Cook discussed it. Report adopted.

W. J. Cook read and discussed the report on Sunday School. A. M. Brown, Lee J. Church, G. W. Brown, B. F. Wilcox and R. L. Barnes assisted in the discussion. Report adopted.

The Committee on Devotion announced that R. L. Barnes would conduct the devotion on Wednesday morning.

Moved to adjourn.

"Swing the Door of Your Heart Open Wide" was sung.

Benediction by Lee Beshears.

Second Day Session

"We Shall Rise" was sung. R. L. Barnes conducted devotional, reading John 14 : 1—10. J. H. Wilcox led in prayer.

"My Happy Home" was sung.

The minutes of the preceding day were read and approved.

Roy Keller read and discussed the report on the State of Churches. F. L. Hampton and A. M. Brown assisted in the discussion Report adopted.

G. M. Watson read and discussed the report on Hospitals. Report adopted.

Report on Woman's Work was read by F. L. Hampton. Report adopted.

W. J. Cook read report on Duties of Pastors to Churches. Report adopted.

J. H. Wilcox read report of Nominations. Report adopted.

Report on Periodicals read and discussed by G. M. Watson. Report adopted.

R. L. Barnes read report on Obituaries. Report adopted.

R. L. Barnes read report on Digest of Letters. C. A. Upchurch discussed it. Report adopted.

J. H. Wilcox read report on Resolutions. G. W. Brown discussed it. Report adopted.

Lee J. Church, G. M. Watson and C. A. Upchurch were appointed to prepare a resolution upholding the 18th Amendment.

W. J. Cook read the report on Place and Preacher. Adopted.

F. L. Hampton read and discussed the report on Finance. G.M. Watson and G. W. Brown also discussed it. Report adopted.

G. M. Watson, F. L. Hampton, R. L. Barnes and Lee J.Church were appointed to investigate the standing — spiritually — of certain ordained ministers.

Resolution upholding the 18th Amendment was read by G. M. Watson. Report adopted.

Carl Triplett and W. J. Cook were appointed as Associational Missionaries.

Move for adjournment carried. While singing "Don't You Want to Go", the messengers took the parting hand thus ending the 72nd session of the Stony Fork Baptist Association.

B. F. WILCOX, Moderator
ROY KELLER, Clerk.

REPORTS

MISSIONS

As missions relate to God's kingdom here on earth in different ways, then there is an opportunity for every professed Christian to do something in the mission field. The question that every church and every individual should answer is: Do I believe in giving the gospel to a lost and dying world? When Jesus said "Go ye therefore and teach all nations" He gave us a direct command that we should carry His gospel to other nations.

Do we carry out His command? How are we showing our appreciation for what He has done for us? We find the unsaved all about wherever we go, and a host of children not enlisted in Sunday school, yet we wear the high name "Missionary Baptist." But are we loyal to it?

We are facing a crisis in our general mission work on account of insufficient funds with which to maintain the general mission movement.

Many missionaries are returning home from the foreign fields on account of this one thing. We realize we are facing a financial decline in both home and foreign missions and our boards are heavily in debt, so we are at present unable to see in what way the present existing condition can be adjusted.

We heartily recommend that all the pastors of the churches in this Association be instructed to make an honest effort to stir up a real mission spirit in their churches, in order that the present existing conditions may be, to some extent, reduced ere we say "The harvest is past, the summer is ended, and we are not saved."

F. L. Hampton, Eugene Olive, Comm.

PASTORAL SUPPORT

It is the indispensable duty of our churches to amply care for their pastors financially in order that they may devote their time to the work of our Lord. Our deacons should see that their churches contribute very liberally to the support of their pastors.

R. L. Barnes, Comm.

MINISTERIAL RELIEF

The Relief and Annuity Board at Dallas, Texas, was instituted that through it we might be able to help our preachers who have become unable to go. If we are expecting to share in this great work let us get busy and give a portion of that with which God has blessed us.

G. M. Watson, Comm.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Education can make one wise but cannot make one good. There must be something added to education or the world will not be better even if all of its people are educated.

The Baptists of North Carolina have long seen the need of adding to education and have established and are now maintaining seven Christian Colleges: Wake Forest, Meredith, Chowan, Mars Hill, Campbell, Wingate and Boiling Springs. These colleges are Chrisian because the Baptists who own them, the trustees who direct them, and the teachers who teach in them are all Christians and are not above the gospel of Christ.

These colleges are turning out preachers, teachers and Christian leaders. They are all doing fine work and we are thankful for these colleges and pray God's blessings on them.

J. A. McMillan, Roy Keller, Comm.

B. Y. P. U.

Since our boys and girls are to be the future leaders in all Christian work, we cannot afford to neglect their training now. Because of the great importance of this work of training, the organizations known as Baptist Young People's Unions came into existence. This is one of the methods by which we seek to carry out the command of Jesus, "teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you", and of Paul to young Timothy, "Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.

Within the past few years B Y.P.U.'s have grown rapidly in numbers and efficency so that now such organizations are found in Baptist churches everywhere from the largest to the smallest

We, therefore, strongly urge pastors and other leaders in the churches to take the lead in establishing B.Y.P.U.'s where they do not exist, and in encouraging and maintaining those already in existence. We suggest that those interested in organizing B.Y P.U.'s or in any phase of the work write for information to the B.Y.P.U. department of the Baptist Convention, Raleigh, N. C. Quarterlies and other supplies may be secured from the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn. Respectfully submitted,

Eugene Olive, H. L. Beshears, Comm.

ORPHANAGE

The Baptist people of North Carolina organized and built in 1885 a home for orphan children at Thomasville, N. C. Since that time nearly 3000 children have been cared for. They have had the best

of care, not only bed and clothing but also education in preparation for life.

How can this wonderful work go on? It depends on the Baptist people of North Carolina. Let us as churches, Sunday schools and individuals do our part toward helping this great institution and let its work go on Let us examine ourselves and see if we are doing our duty toward this worthy institution, because it depends entirely on the Baptist people for support.

I recommend that that each church adopt a once-a-month offering for this is a fine way to give for this purpose, "for it is better to give than to receive." We should not only give of the means God has blessed us with but pray that God will bless the great organization at Thomasville, N. C.

Willie J. Cook, A. M. Brown, Comm.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS

We realize that the Sunday School is the church at work teaching the Bible which is a command given by our Saviour. We advise the parents of the Stony Fork Association to take their children to Sunday School instead of sending them and there teach them the plan of salvation.

A. M. Brown, Comm.

STATE OF CHURCHES

From a comparative study of the minutes of previous Associational years, we find that the churches seem to be dying spiritually. Many of them seem to have ceased functioning in all the phases in which a New Testament Church is supposed to function. In view of this fact, the churches must wake up and be about our Father's business more earnestly than recently.

Roy Keller, Comm.

TEMPERANCE

Temperance is a question that has been the chief topic of all men and women who look forward for better things. We know of many things pertaining to intemperance. But the most degrading, home-breaking, morals-wrecking, community-disturbing, mother-grieving bringing their grey hairs down to the grave in sorrow, blighting the hopes of a father, wrecking the lives of young men and women and above all sinking their souls in Hell is this Hellish poison stuff called Liquor. Brethren, work, fight and pray for the sake of Heaven and the souls of our people and lets put this evil down.

Respectfully submitted. Rev. G. M. Watson, Comm.

HOSPITALS

The Baptist people of North Carolina, looking out over our state,

saw many of their people who were dying for the lack of medical attention. By hard struggling and much praying they succeeded in erecting a hospital at Winston-Salem. Since its establishment many thousands have been cared for and sent back home well.

G. M. Watson, R. L. Barnes, Comm.

WOMAN'S WORK

It is being thrust upon us to reconsider and decide one of the most important questions of our lifetime—one which our forefathers decided favorably for us some twenty odd years ago, the results of which decision we have been privileged to enjoy—a question which should be of the deepest concern of every mother– of every woman - of this Association or of any other organization of our great State namely, the question of licensing the sale of intoxicating liquors. We wish to appeal to every woman of this association to be up and doing with the most earnest efforts and most strenuous zeal for the next six weeks. Leave never a stone unturned. See to it that every individual voter be thoroughly aroused to the importance of this great moral question, and that every one be at the polls on November 7th and cast their ballot to save from this great curse not only the boys and girls of this generation, but of the many generations yet to come. It is one time the women can be united. Do not meet it indifferently and allow the wets to pull it over us, but let it go down in history to our credit. Respectfully submitted.

Minnie Day, Comm.

DUTIES OF PASTORS TO CHURCHES

The pastor is the shepherd to lead the people. His duties are to feed and lead them spiritually and teach and train them and look after them that they keep in love with each other "for love worketh no ill to his neighbor". (Rom 13: 10.)

NOMINATIONS

We the committee on nominations present Bro Lee Church to visit Three Forks Association; Bro. Willie Cook to visit Caldwell Association: Bro Earl Calvard to visit Ashe Association; Bro. S. T. Icenhour to visit the State Convention.

J. O. Cardwell, J. H. Wilcox, Comm.

PERIODICALS

We recommend as reading matter outside the Bible the Biblical Recorder, Charity and Children taking the Bible as our chief instruction.

G. M. Watson,
Lee J. Church, Comm.

OBITUARIES

According to the reports sent in by the different churches of this

Association, we find to our sad regret that some of our friends and loved ones have out stripped us in the lane of life, and passed on to their reward. We have the blessed thought and consolation that we shall see them again. We believe that their Christian influence will live forever. "Be ye also ready, for in such an hour as ye think not the Son of man cometh."

Those who have passed out are as follows:—

Mt. Ephraim— Mr. George Triplett and Mr. Granville Triplett.

Mt. Vernon —Mr. James Hodges, Mrs. Gertrude Critcher, Mr Nelson Coffey, Mrs. Evolyn Benson and Mr. Abel Harrison

Kenneth Brown, Toy Miller, Comm.

DIGEST OF LETTERS

Six churches gained by baptism 7, by letter 11; paid their pastors $266 33; gave the orphanage $170 15; paid to Co-operative program $30 00; to Hospital $9 06; to Old Ministers' Relief $4 10; to Special causes $7.58; reported a total membership of 632; Sunday School membership 506.

R. L. Barnes, H. L. Beshears, Lee J. Church, Comm.

RESOLUTIONS

We the committee on resolutions wish to express our sincere thanks to Yellow Hill church for its kind hospitalities shown us during this session of the stony Fork Associafion.

J. H. Wilcox, A. M. Brown, Comm.

We the Stony Fork Association at Yellow Hill Church the 13th day of September 1933 hereby put ourselves on record as being opposed to the repeal of the 18th Amendment and implore all our members to abide by and uphold all our laws against Liquor. This is no time for this country to take a backward step

Lee J. Church, C. A. Upchurch, G. M. Watson, Comm.

PLACE AND PREACHER

We, the committee on Place and Preacher, do recommend that the next annual session of the Stony Fork Baptist Association be held at Mt. Vernon Baptist church on Tuesday after the second Sunday in September 1934. Rev R H. Shore to preach the Introductory sermon, alternate Rev. Carl Triplett.

F. L. Hampton, Willie J. Cook, Comm.

FINANCE

Carrolls Chapel	$ .70	Rock View	$ 2.00
Doe Ridge	1.35	Sandy Flat	1.25
Mt. Vernon	4.43	Yellow Hill	1.50
Mt Ephraim	2.00		$ 3.23

Allow Clerk hire $10.00.

F. L. Hampton, E. R. Mikeal, Comm.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Received for Minute Fund		$ 27.60
Disbursements:		
Paid Printer - - - - -	$17.00	
Clerk Hire - - - - -	10.00	
Postage - - - - - -	.60	

B. F. Wilcox, Treas.

Standing Committees to Report for 1934.

Missions— B. F. Wilcox
Duties of Pastors to Churches— R. L. Barnes
Pastoral Support— F. L. Hampton
Ministerial Relief— G. W. Brown
Orphanage— S. T. Icenhour
Hospitals— Lee J. Church
Christian Education— Roy Keller
B. Y. P. U.— Mrs. Rena Cook
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Sunday School— William Brown
Woman's Work— Minnie Day
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Nominations— J. G. Storie
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Digest of Letters— I. H. Henderson
Resolutions— C. E. Hodges
Finance— . . . . . .
Place and Preacher— . . . . . .

NOTE: We are expecting these Reports to be WRITTEN before the Association meets and them either brought or sent to the Asssociation in order that the work may be speeded up slightly.

TABLE I. Church Membership etc. Stony Fork Association Session 1933.

CHURCHES	Constituted	PASTORS & P. O.	Days of Meeting	Members Last Year	Baptisms	Rec. by Letter	Statements	Restoration	Lost: By Letter	Exclusions	Erasures	Deaths	Total Present Membership	Prayer Meetings?	Revivals During Year	Lord's Supper	Families Rec. State Baptist Paper
Boones Fork	1871	E. C. Hodges, Boone, N.C.	2	84	2	1	..	..	7	..	..	2	78	yes	..	2	..
Carrolls Chapel.	1932	E. M. Gragg, Shulls Mills, N.C.	1	9	1	3							13	yes	1	1	
Hopkins Chapel																	
Doe Ridge	1894	Carl Triplett, Blo. Rock, N.C.	2	9	2	4	1						16	yes	1		1
Laurel Fork	1855	E. M. Bradshaw, Hudson, N.C.	3	130	3	1			3		1		130		1	1	
Mt. Ephraim	1876	Walter Greene, Boone, N.C.	3	181	3			3	2	1		2	182	no	1	1	
Mt. Paran	1886	Henry Smith, Deep Gap, N.C.											27		1	1	
Mt. Vernon	1866	R. C. Eggers, Zionville, N.C.	4	249		4			2			5	246	no		2	1
Middle Cane																	
New Hopewell.																	
Rock Springs	1891	Henry Smith, Deep Gap, N.C.	3	57	4	1							62		1		
Rock View	1923	G. M. Watson, Boone, N.C.	4	50	2								52	no	1	1	
Sandy Flat	1928	R. H. Shore, Blo. Rock, N.C.	2	74	1	1						1	75	yes	1	2	
Watauga	1844	Walter Greene, Boone, N.C.	1	128	43								171	yes	2	2	
Yellow Hill	1850	Lee Beshears, Summit, N.C.	3	133					1			2	130				

All these churches are located in the country.

Roy Keller Clerk of Stony Fork Baptist Association Blowing Rock, N. C.
B. F. Wilcox, Moderator " " " "

TABLE II. SUNDAY SCHOOLS Stony Fork Association Session 1933.

CHURCHES	SUPERINTENDENT & P. O.		Beginners 3-5 Years	Primaries 6-8 Years	Juniors 9-12 Years	Intermediates 13-16 Years	Young People 17-24 Years	Adults 25 Years & Up	Cradle Roll Under 3 Years	Officers and Teachers	Home Department	Total Enrollment	Average Attendance	School Graded?	Standard A-1?	Teachers with Diplomas	Baptisms From School
Boones Fork	Herman Coffey, Shulls Mills,	N.C.	5	2	8	9	8	34	2	6	..	74	44	.....	.....	..	..
Carrolls Chapel.	Virgil Gragg, Linville,	N.C.	6	8	9	4	8	18	7	4		64	25	yes	yes	1	
Hopkins Chapel																	
Doe Ridge	Toy Miller, Boone,	N.C.		12			11			4		27		no			
Laurel Fork	W. S. Hampton, B. Rock,	N.C.	15		20	17	24	18		9		101	101	yes			
Mt. Ephraim	Virgil Greer, Triplett,	N.C.	20		5	20		15		6		66	40	no			
Mt. Vernon	William Brown, B. Rock,	N.C.	11	19	30	26	36	36		15		173	99	yes		2	
Mt. Paran																	
Middle Cane																	
New Hopewell.																	
Rock Springs	Mrs. R. C. Woods, Darby,	N.C.								3		38		no			
Rock View	C. C. Triplet, Triplett,	N.C.								6		75	75				
Sandy Flat	Earl Colvard, B. Rock,	N.C.	8	9	9	10	12	12	8	8		76	40				1
Watauga.	Troy Townsend, Banner Elk,	N.C.	30	25	28	30	25	28		10		176	125			1	
Yellow Hill	Lee J. Church, Summit,	N.C.	17		12	21		16	10		9	75		no			

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B. F. Wilcox, Moderator " " " "

TABLE IV. Gifts for Local Church Work, Stony Fork Association Session 1933.

CHURCHES	Pastor's Salary	Orphanages	Ministerial Help	Building & Repairs	Incidentals	Literature (for S.S., BYPU and W.M.S.	Hospitals	Minutes & Clerk	Other Objects	Co-op. Program	Old Ministers' Relief	Other Special Causes
Boones Fork	25.35	3.00			3.65	6.95	2.75	1.60				
Carrolls Chapel.	20.17			6.15	.40	1.18		.70	.75			
Doe Ridge		.60				.55		1.35				
Hopkins Chapel												
Laurel Fork	80.00	53.97	14.15			22.00		3.46				
Mt. Vernon	96.96	50.50	2.05		42.00	44.24	9.06	6.83	7.58	3.00	4.10	7.58
Mt. Ephraim	62.10	40.50	14.16			12.00		2.00				
Mt. Paran	5.00			1.00				.40	10.00			
Middle Cane												
New Hopewell.												
Rock Springs	30.00		6.00	20.00		1.50		1.00				
Rock View	30.00	14.50				2.50		2.25				
Sandy Flat	38.33	3.00	7.50		22.00	11.00		3.01				3.75
Watauga.	48.81	19.85				14.12		2.75	39.00	5.35		
Yellow Hill	50.00			25.00		18.75		1.50				

CHURCH TREASURERS

Boones Fork, Mrs W. B. Estes, Shulls Mills, N.C.
Carrolls Chapel, Virgil Gragg, Linville, N.C.
Doe Ridge, Alice Brown, Boone, N.C.
Laurel Fork, F. F. Holder, Blowing Rock, N.C.
Mt. Vernon, M. W. Day, Blowing Rock, N.C.
Rock Springs, J. T. Woods, Darby, N.C.
Rock View, J. F. Robbins, Triplett, N.C.
Sandy Flat, Mrs S.T. Icenhour, Blowing Rock, N.C.
Watauga, Troy Townsend, Banner Elk, N.C.
Yellow Hill, H. L. Beshears, Summit, N.C.

TABLE III. Church Property of Stony Fork Association Session 1933.

CHURCHES	CHURCH CLERKS & P. O.		Own House of Worship?	When was It Built?	Material Used	Persons Seated	Number of Rooms	No. Separate Class Rooms	Value Church Property
Boones Fork	Mrs. W. B. Estes,	Shulls Mills, N.C.	Yes	1916	Wood	200	1	.....	1000.00
Carrolls Chapel.	Virgil Gragg,	Linville, N.C.	"	1920	"	100	1		400.00
Hopkins Chapel									
Doe Ridge	Alice Brown,	Boone, N.C.	"	1894	"	100	1		150.00
Laurel Fork	J. G. Storie,	Blowing Rock, N.C.	"	1922	"	300	1	8	1800.00
Mt. Ephraim	V. W. Carroll,	Triplett, N.C.	"		"		1		300.00
Mt. Paran	J. L. Miller,	Deep Gap, N.C.	"	1886	"		1		
Mt. Vernon	Minnie Day,	Blowing Rock, N.C.	"	1894	"	500	1	13	2000.00
Middle Cane									
New Hopewell.									
Rock Springs	J. T. Woods,	Darby, N.C.	"		"		1		260.00
Rock View	Jeff Hodges,	Triplett, N.C.	"	1923	"	300	1		1000.00
Sandy Flat	S. T. Icenhour,	B. Rock, N.C.	No	1906	"	200	2	2	
Watauga.	Violet Gragg,	Banner Elk, N.C.	Yes	1921	"	400	1	5	300.00
Yellow Hill	H. L. Beshears,	Summit, N.C.	"		"	400	1		1000.00

Roy Keller Clerk of Stony Fork Baptist Association Blowing Rock, N. C.
B. F. Wilcox, Moderator " " " "

Stony Fork Baptist Association

1934

SEVENTY-THIRD ANNUAL SESSION

HELD WITH

MT. VERNON BAPTIST CHURCH

Bamboo, N. C.

Next session to be held with Carroll's Chapel Baptist Church on Tuesday and Wednesday after second Sunday in September, 1935

Rev. W. J. Cook to preach Annual Sermon,
Rev. Carl Triplett, Alternate.

PROGRAM FOR 1935

TUESDAY A. M.

9: 30 — 10: 00 — Organization.
10: 00 — 11: 00 — Annual Sermon
11: 00 — 12: 00 — Missions
12: — 1 : 00 — Lunch

AFTERNOON SESSION

1: 00 — 1: 15 — Devotion
1: 15 — 2: 15 — Benevolences
2: 15 — 3: 00 — Duties of Pastors and Churches
3: 00 — 4: 00 — Religious Training

WEDNESDAY A. M.

9: 30 — 9: 45 — Devotion
9: 45 — 10: 00 — Religious Literature
10: 00 — 10: 30 — Sunday Schools
10: 30 — 11:00 — Woman's Work
11: 00 — 12: 00 — Temperance
12: 00 — 1: 00— Lunch

AFTERNOON SESSION

1: 00 — 1: 15 — Devotion
1: 15 — 1: 30 — In Memory of our Departed Ones
1: 30 — 1: 45 — Finance
1: 45 --- 1: 55 — Place and Preacher
1: 55 --- 2: 05 --- Treasurer's Report
2: 05 --- 2: 20 --- Miscellaneous
2: 20 --- 2: 30 --- Resolutions
2: 30 --- Closing Program

DIRECTORY OF ASSOCIATION

Officers of Association

G. W. Gragg, Moderator, ... Boone, N. C.
Lee J. Church, Vice-Moderator, ... Summit, N. C.
Roy Keller, Clerk, ... Blowing Rock, N. C.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

F. L. Hampton: Chairman, - Blowing Rock, N. C.
Carl Triplett, - - - - Blowing Rock, N. C.
Earl Coffey, - - - - - Shulls Mills, N. C.

Ordained Ministers

Aseley, W. D.	Blowing Rock, N. C.
Barnes, R. L.	Boone, N. C.
Brown, A. M.	"
Brown, G. W.	"
Church, John	Summit, N. C.
Cook, W. J.	Boone, N. C.
Gilley, William	Blowing Rock, N. C.
Gragg, E. M.	Shulls Mills, N. C.
Greer, R. G.	Summit, N. C.
Keller, Sam	Banner Elk, N. C.
Robbins, Ed	Blowing Rock, N. C.
Triplett, Carl	"
Watson, G. M.	Boone, N. C.
Wilcox, B. F.	Blowing Rock, N. C.

Roll of Messengers

Boone's Fork—N. R. Walters, Earl Coffey, Sherman Henderson, E. M. Gragg.

Carroll's Chapel—Madison Gragg, Spencer Gragg, Virgil Gragg.

Doe Ridge—G. W. Brown, A. M. Brown.

Hopkins' Chapel—No messengers.

Laurel Fork—Arthur Triplett, J. T. Ford.

Middle Cane—J. W. Hendrix.

Mt. Ephraim—Virgil Greer, Virgil Carroll.

Mt. Paran—Thomas Miller, Odis Watson, Ross Green.

Mt. Vernon—G. W. Gragg, Tom Cook, M. W. Day.

New Hopewell—W. F. Henderson, Mrs. W. F. Henderson, D. W. Coffey, Mrs. D. W. Coffey.

Rock Springs—No messengers.

Rock View—C. E. Hodges, Johnnie Hodges, Millard Hodges, Lonnie Carlton.

Sandy Flat—I. H. Henderson.

Watauga—U. B. Porch, Troy Townsend, Howard Townsend.

Yellow Hill—H. L. Beshears, Lee J. Church.

Minutes of the Stony Fork Baptist Association

PROCEEDINGS

Meeting with the Mt. Vernon Baptist church for its seventy-third annual session, the Stony Fork Baptist Association convened on Tuesday, September 11, 1934.

After singing "How Firm a Foundation", the Association was led in prayer by Rev. G. W. Brown.

Bro. R. H. Shore, who was to bring us the annual sermon, read Acts 20: 17—38. This was followed by prayer by Rev. E.M Gragg and song "Shall We Gather at the River". Using as his text Acts 20: 21: "Repentance toward God, faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ", brother Shore brought a very helpful message.

After the sermon G. M. Watson led in prayer.

Due to an accident our Moderator, Rev. B. F Wilcox, was unable to be with us.

G. M. Watson called the Association to order.

Letters from the churches were called for, received and referred to a Committee on Digest of Letters

It was moved that the Association go into the election of officers. The following were elected: G. W. Gragg, Moderator; Lee J Church Vice-Moderator; and Roy Keller, Clerk.

Opened the door of the Association for the reception of churches and received no response.

The following correspondents and visitors were welcomed to seats in the Association: Rev. J. A. McMillan, from the Liberty Association, the Mills Home representative; J. E. Farthing, D. L. Welborn Reverends R. H. Shore, R. C. Eggers and R. E. Hendrix of the Three Forks Association.

The Association empowered the Moderator and Clerk to make all temporary appointments - assistants and chairmen where necessary —of Committees. The following were appoi. ted:

Missions— W. D. Ashley, W. C. Payne.

Duties of Pastors to Churches—R. L. Barnes, W. J. Cook.

Pastoral Support— F. L. Hampton.

Ministerial Relief— G. W. Brown.

Orphanage— J. A. McMillan, E. D. Colvard.

Hospitals— Lee J. Church, G. M. Watson.

Christian Education— Roy Keller.

B. Y. P. U.— Mrs. Rena Cook.

Periodicals— G. M. Watson.

Sunday Schools— William Brown.

Woman's Work— Minnie Day, Mrs. Etta Gragg.

Temperance— H. L. Beshears.

Spiritual State of Churches— W. S. Hampton, Earl Coffey.
Nominations— J. G. Storie.
Obituaries— N. L. Harrison, R. H. Shore.
Digest of Letters— I. H. Henderson, M. W. Day, Wm. Brown.
Resolutions— E. E. Hodges, Earl Triplett.
Finance— W. J. Cook, J. T. Ford, H. L. Beshears
Place and Preacher— Spencer Gragg, I. H. Henderson.

F.L. Hampton prsented and discussed the report on Pastoral Support. He was assisted in the discussion by R. C. Eggers, G. W. Brown, R. H Shore and J M. Hodges Adopted the report.

PASTORAL SUPPORT

The question of paying the Preacher, and how? has often been discussed from various angles, and a permanent solution has never been given to eliminate the unpleasant condition that exists in most all of the Baptist churches at present All the Pastors should be well cared for financially, in order to give them practically all their time to the study of the Bible. But for various reasons, a large majority of the members refuse to pay their pastor liberally, and this attitude toward the preachers is very perplexing, and only thru an earnest effort on the part of the preachers can this unpleasant condition be changed. It is up to the pastors to visit the members more often, and encourage them to attend church services, and in this manner keep in personal touch with them and prove to them beyond any reasonable doubt that they are interested in them and the spiritual development of the church.

Also the Deacon board could play an important part, if the church would only give them the necessary co-operation. It is so important that the preacher get in touch with his deacons. Now in this easy and simple way of working, we might bring back the one main and lost ingredient in church work, to-wit–'Brotherly Co-operation.'

We must not prevaricate in this unpleasant situation. The preacher, the deacon board and the church in general will have to be willing to cooperate together before the present embarressing condtions are changed.

"But seek ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness and all these things shall be added unto you." Matt. 6: 33.

F. L. Hampton, Comm.

At this time the Association adjourned for lunch until 1 p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION

The congregation sang "Never Grow Old."

Reading the fifty-third chapter of Isaiah, Rev. R. C. Eggers conducted the devotion.

Rev. J. A. McMillan read and discussed the report on the Orphanage. The report adopted.

ORPHANAGE

For almost fifty years the Baptists of North Carolina have maintained a home for orphan children at Thomasville. Another branch of the Home has been established on a large farm near Kinston. This branch is known as the Kennedy Home. Both homes are under the management of Mr. I. G. Greer. There are more than 600 children in the two homes. Another large group are being cared for by their mothers with the aid of the denomination. Their support comes from an once- a-month offering of the Sunday schools and a Thanksgiving offering of all the churches. The Orphanage publishes a paper—Charity and Children.

We urge our Sunday schools to take an offering every month, to subscribe for Charity and Children and join in a great Thanksgiving offering.

J. A. McMillan, E. E. Colvard, Comm.

Rev. G. W. Brown read and discussed the report on Ministerial Relief. Report adopted.

MINISTERIAL RELIEF

The Relief and Annuity Board at Dallas Texas, was instituted that thru it we might be able to help our preachers who have become unable to go. If we are expecting to share in this great work let us get busy and give a portion of that with which God has blessed us.

G. W. Brown, Comm.

The report on Missions was read and discussed by Rev. W. D. Ashley. Adopted the report.

MISSIONS

We, your committee, believe that we as a denomination have failed to tarry at Jerusalem as we should. Christ said to his apostles that they should not depart from Jerusalem but wait for the promise of the Father. "Ye shall receive power; after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you. And ye shall be witnesses unto me, both in Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria, and unto the uttermost parts of the earth." We believe that we should pray for the power and guidance of the Holy Spirit and a burden for lost souls both at home and abroad — that we would be willing to sacrafice and go. We believe in Spirit called Missionaries and Givers.

W. D. Ashley, W. C. Payne, Comm.

Rev. G. M. Watson read and discussed the report on Hospitals. Lee J. Church assisted in the discussion. Adopted the report.

HOSPITALS

The Baptists of this state thru the wisdom and knowledge of God, looking forward saw our people in distress – suffering physically because finance was so limited, and had to die for lack of care, thru

co-operation built a hospital. Since then many hundreds have been healed and returned home.

We would humbly beg the churches of this Association to take to heart the work of the Hospital and help support it. Respt. sub.

Lee J. Church, G. M. Watson, Comm.

The report on Christian Education was read and discussed by Roy Keller. R. C. Eggers and G. M. Watson contributed to the discussion. Report adopted.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

The desirability and necessity of education is becoming more apparent with each passing year. In every walk of life we are looking more and more to the educated for leadership. But what is education? When is an individual educated? Let us think of education as not only book-knowledge, rather a combination of book-knowledge, the ability to recognize and respect the rights of one's fellow creature and the ability to adjust one's self in the right manner to the society in which the individual moves. This is education. Christian education is letting Christ have complete command of these Characteristics. In order that Christ might secure this command, the Baptists of North Carolina have established colleges—both junior and senior—placed teachers and leaders, in whose lives Christ has command, in charge of the colleges for the express purpose of giving their youth a Christian education. To have a part in this great work we of the Stony Fork Baptist Association must give of our means in the support of these colleges. Respectfully submitted,

Roy Keller, Comm.

Rev. R. L. Barnes read and discussed the report on Duties of Pastors to Churches. W. J. Cook, Thomas Miller, G. W. Brown and G. M. Watson assisted in the discussion. Adopted the report.

DUTIES OF PASTORS TO CHURCHES

The pastor is the shepherd of the flock. His duties are as follows:

1. To preach the Word rightly so that he may feed both the weak and the strong; 2. He should be an example of Christ as shepherd and leader; 3. He should practice what he preaches and teach his followers to do likewise; 4. He should visit his members, see how they live, and pray with them.

R. L. Barnes, W. J. Cook, Comm.

It was announced that the B. Y. P. U. of Mt. Vernon would give a typical program at the evening service.

The Association adjourned until 9: 30 a. m. Wednesday.

Lee J. Church pronounced the benediction.

Wednesday Morning Session

The Association was opened by singing "How Firm a Foundation." Reading from the 14th chapter of John, G. W. Brown conducted the devotion. This was followed by the song, "We are Passing Away."

The report on B. Y. P. U. was read by the clerk. It was discussed by R. C. Eggers, N. L. Harrison, Lee J. Church and Roy Keller. Adopted the repart.

B. Y. P. U.

"Jesus saith unto Simon Peter, son of Jonas, Lovest thou me more than these? He saith unto him, Yea, Lord; thou knowest that I love thee. He saith unto him, *Feed my lambs.* John 21: 15.

Who are the lambs but those newly entered into the kingdom who haven't a wide experience and need leading and maturing, even as litt'e lambs? If we love the Master, then we will provide the guidance and training for the young that they may be able to live the "abundant life".

The Baptist Young People's Union provides an all-around program to fill this need. It gives doctrinal instruction in order that we as young Baptists may become familiar with our belief; Bible study, that we may deepen our knowledge of God's word; devotional, that we may be led into the perfect spirit of worship and communion; and missionary, that we may catch the vision of the world need and that we may understand what Baptists all over the world are doing. Daily Bible reading forms the best habit that one can acquire for keeping in constant realization of the need for Christ in everyday life.

Much of the neglect of this part of chuach work has come from the lack of sympathetic understanding of what the Union really does. Let us work and pray for an awakening that all of our churches may enter into this work, for the quality of future church leadership depends upon the quality of the present training of the young membership. When we as churches fail to carry out this part of Christ's command we cease to function as New Testament churches.

Mrs. Rena Cook, Comm.

Rev. G. M. Watson read and discussed the report on Periodicals Report adopted.

PERIODICALS

When we think of periodicals, we think of reading matter. When we think of reading, we get in our mind several different things There are various editions of books sold at the Baptist Book Store that are of great help upon Bible study and much other too numerous to mention. Biblical Recorder and Charity and Children. The Lible as chief should be in every home. —G. M. Watson, Comm.

The report on Sunday schools was read and discussed by William Brown. G. W. Brown also discussed it. Report adopted.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS

In a brief history of our association's Sunday schools, we find them planting the gospel in the minds of the youth and inducing them to fall triumphantly in obedience to God's commands. We, furthermore, find these agencies winning souls for Christ. May we crown our Sunday schools with many efforts and much sacrifice:

William Brown, Comm.

Minnie Day read and discussed the report on Woman's Work Mrs Etta Gragg and Lee J. Church assisted in the discussion. Adopted.

WOMAN'S WORK

There being no formal Woman's Missionary Union in our Association, we wish to urge the women of the various churches to band together in doing the little things that really amount to great things which such organizations in other associations are doing— such as looking after the sick and needy of our respective communities; doing all in our power to overcome the evil environment being thrown around our young people; stressing the cause of missions in its various phases thru our churches, especially keeping the Orphanage cause prominently before us in the various ways we have formerly contributed.

Minnie Day, Mrs. Etta Gragg, Comm.

The report on Spiritual State of the Churches was read and discussed by W. S. Hampton. G. W. Brown, Thomas Miller, R. C. Eggers, G. M. Watson, I. H. Henderson, Earl Coffey, J. W. Hendrix and Lee J. Church contributed to the discussion. Rept adopted

SPIRITUAL STATE OF CHURCHES

We understand that some of the churches in the Stony Fork Baptist Association have no pastor, also that some have no Sunday school. They seem to be absolutely dead spiritually. Other churches in our association seem to be gradually dying spiritually. In view of these facts it behooves us as followers of Christ to wake up and do our Christian duty with more zeal than ever before. Thanks be to God who giveth us the victory thru our Lord Jesus Christ.

"Therefore, our beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, for as much as ye know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord." (I. Cor. 15: 57-58)

W. S. Hampton, Earl Coffey, Comm.

The clerk read the report on Nominations. Report adopted.

NOMINATIONS

The committee on Nominations present:

Bro. Ed Robbins to visit the Three Forks Association
" W J. Cook " Caldwell "

" John Church " Ashe "
" I. H. Henderson " Avery "
" Carl G. Triplett to visit the State Convention.

J. G. Storie, Comm.

Report on Obituaries read and discussed by N. L. Harrison. Report adopted.

OBITUARIES

Those who have gone to their reward from the different churches are as follows:

Boone's Fork— Mrs. Etta Estes.
Laurel Fork— Mrs. Sarah Hamlett and Baurett Watson.
Middle Cane — Mrs. Mariah Ball.
Mt. Ephraim— Newton Greer and Mrs. Newton Greer.
New Hopewell— Deacon D. O Gragg and W. H. Dellinger.
Sandy Flat— G. W. Maltba and Mrs. Nettie Hollars

These members lived a life that showed that they watched as well as prayed. They also left evidence of a regenerated life and truly they live on although their bodies are mouldering back to mother earth. A life of love, sacrifice and service will ever live on.

Since we do not know how much time we still have, let us seriously think of what it takes to make a better life, render more service, sacrifice and love more.

To list the names of our deceased and pay any tribute to them thru love and sympathy for their people is one way we have of showing that they live on. Respectfully submitted,

N. L. Harrison, R. H. Shore, Comm.

H. L. Beshears read the report on Temperance. R. C. Eggers, F. L. Hampton, Thomas Miller, W. T. Cook, Lee J. Church, N. L. Harrison and W. S. Hampton contributed to the discussion. Adopted the report.

TEMPERANCE

Temperance is a question that has been the chief topic of all men and women who look forward to better things We know of many things pertaining to intemperance. But the most degrading, home-breaking, morals-wrecking, community-disturbing, mother-grieving bringing their grey hairs down to the grave in sorrow, blighting the hopes of a father; wrecking the lives of young men and women and above all, sinking their souls in Hell is the Hellish poison stuff called Liquor. Brethren, work, fight and pray for the sake of Heaven and the souls of our people and lets put this evil down.

Respectfully submitted. H. L. Beshears, Comm.

Adjourned for lunch until 1: 30 p. m.

Rev. Raymon Hendrix leading in prayer.

AFTERNOON SESSION

The Association reconvened with the congregation singing "Stan-

ding on the Promises." W. J. Cook led in prayer.

Rev. G. M. Watson conducted devotion reading Psalms 35: 1 – 9.

William Brown read and discussed the report on Digest of Letters. Report adopted.

DIGEST OF LETTERS

9 churches gained by baptism 42.
12 " " " letter 29.
Total losses 25.
Pastors' salaries $532.30.
Other local church expenses $114.66.
Repairs and debts $148.60.
Ministers' relief $106.51.
At home and abroad $439.99.
Total membership of these churches 1,522.

I. H. Henderson, M. W. Day, Wm. Brown, Comm.

Report on Resolutions read by the clerk. Spoken to by R. C. Eggers. Report adopted.

RESOLUTIONS

In view of the fact that the 73rd session of the Stony Fork Baptist Association has been wonderfully entertained by the Mt. Vernon Baptist church, be it resolved that we express our hearty appreciation to them for the same.

C. E. Hodge, Carl G. Triplett, Comm.

The Association adopted a special resolution.

Special Resolution

Stony Fork Baptist Association in the 73rd session with Mt. Vernon Baptist church Sept. 11 & 12. Be it resolved :

1. That politics be eliminated from this resolution from beginning thruout.
2. That all the churches be banded together to put down the liquor traffic and eliminate Sunday baseball.
3. That whereas we believe that reforms of this nature must be wrought by having its beginning in some good organization. Then to the ballot box.
4. We Baptist people believe that if all Christian people, after having seen the evil effects of King Alcohol, will ask in the proper way and vote accordingly that our great God will give us this reform.
5. That all the churches in the Stony Fork Association vote for no one either great or small until he promises faithfully to put down these two evils. Respectfully submitted,

N. L. Harrison, G. H. Hayes, Comm.

W. J. Cook read the report on Finance. Report adopted.

FINANCE

Boone's Fork	$ 2.00	Middle Cane	$ 1.50
Carroll's Chapel	1.00	New Hopewell	1.50
Doe Ridge	0.50	Rock Springs	1.00

Laurel Fork	2.12	Rock View	2.00
Mt. Ephraim	2.00	Sandy Flat	1.70
Mt. Paran	1.00	Watauga	1.50
Mt. Vernon	5.63	Yellow Hill	1.00
		Total,	$24.50

We as a committee recommend that the Association pay the clerk $10.00.

W. J. Cook, H. L. Beshears, J. T. Ford, Comm.

Report on Place and Preacher read by clerk. Report adopted.

PLACE AND PREACHER

We, the committee on Place and Preacher, recommend that the Stony Fork Baptist Association meet in 1935 with Carroll's Chapel on Tuesday and Wednesday after the second Sunday in September. We recommend that Rev. W. J. Cook preach the annual sermon and that Rev. Carl Triplett be the alternate.

Directions to Carroll's Chapel: Follow the Yonahlossee road from Blowing Rock to Grandmother Gap road, then turn left then enquire.

I. H. Henderson, Spencer Gragg.

The Treasurer's report read and adopted.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Received for minutes fund and clerk hire - - - $26.85

Disbursements:

Paid Printer	$20.00	
Postage	1.00	
Allowed clerk	10.00	
Total	$31.00	
Clerk's gift to Association	4.00	
Total	$27 00	
Due Clerk - - - - - -		$ 0.15
	$27 00	$27.00

The Association authorized the Moderator to appoint an executive committee. The following are appointed: F. L. Hampton, Chairman; Carl Triplett, and Earl Coffey. The Association placed the Moderator and Clerk on the executive committee. The executive committee was authorized to prepare an organized program for the 1935 session.

With a song and handshaking among the delegates, the Stony Fork Baptist Association ended its 73rd session. Closing prayer by Rev. G. M. Watson.

G. W. Gragg, Moderator,
Roy Keller, Clerk.

Committees to Report in 1935.

Missions—W. D. Ashley.
Benevolences—Roy Keller.
Duties of Pastors and Churches—G. M. Watson.
Religious Training—William Brown.
Religious Literature—Lee J. Church.
Sunday Schools—Carl Triplett.
Woman's Work—Dorthy Teague.
Temperance—B. F. Wilcox.
Resolutions—Troy Townsend.

N-O-T-I-C-E-!

We are expecting ALL these REPORTS to be Written BEFORE the Association CONVENES and either brought or sent to the Association.

TABLE I. Church Membership etc. Stony Fork Baptist Association, 1934.

CHURCHES	Constituted	PASTORS & P. O.	Days of Meeting	Members Last Year	Baptisms	Rec. by Letter	Restoration	Lost By Letter	Deaths	Exclusions	Erasures	Total Present Membership	Prayer Meetings	Revivals During the Year	Lord's Supper	Families Rec. State Baptist Paper
Boone's Fork	1871	E. C. Hodges, Boone, N.C.	4	84	..	2	..	..	1	..	..	85	yes	1	2	.....
Carroll's Chapel.	1932	E. M. Gragg, Shulls Mills, N.C.	1	13	3	3						19	yes	1		
Doe Ridge	1894	William Gilley, B. Rock, N.C.	2	16		2						18		1		
Hopkins Chapel.																
Laurel Fork	1855	W. J. Cook, Boone, N.C.	3	130	1		3		2			132				
Middle Cane	1911	Carl Triplett, B. Rock, N.C.	3		3		2	2	1						1	
Mt. Ephraim	1876	Walter Green, Boone, N.C.	2	182	1	1		3	2			179		1	1	
Mt. Paran	1886	Raymond Hendrix, Boone N.C.	1	27	8	1						36	yes	1	1	
Mt. Vernon	1866	R. C. Eggers, Zionville, N.C.	4	246	20	3		3			1	265	no	1	2	2
New Hopewell	.....	E. M. Gragg, Shulls Mills, N.C.			3			3	2			92				
Rock Springs	1891	Henry Smith, Deep Gap, N.C.		62		1			1		2	60				
Rock View	1923	G. M. Watson, Boone, N.C.	4	52	1			1				52	no	1	1	
Sandy Flat	1928	R. H. Shore, B. Rock, N.C.	2	75				1	2			72	yes	1	1	
Watauga	1844	Walter Green, Boone, N.C.	1	171				7				164	yes	1	2	
Yellow Hill	1850	Lee Beshears, Parsonsville "	3	130	2							132		1	1	

All these churches are located in the country.

TABLE 2. Sunday Schools, Stony Fork Baptist Association, 1934.

CHURCHES	SUPERINTENDENT & P. O.	Beginners 3-5 Years	Primaries 6-8 Years	Juniors 9-12 Years	Intermediates 13-16 Years	Young People 17-24 Years	Adults 15 Years, up	Cradle Roll Under 3 Years	Officers and Teachers	Total Enrollment	Average Attendance	Is School graded?	Standard A-1?	Teachers holding Diplomas	Baptisms from School	Mission School?
Boone's Fork	Milton Coffey, Shulls Mills, N.C.	3	7	5	3	6	42	2	6	74	41	No	No	..	....	No
Carrolls Chapel	Spencer Grrgg, Linville, N.C.	5	8	6	3	7	17	6	5	57	25	No				
Doe Ridge	No Report or S. S.															
Hopkins Chapel																
Laurel Fork	W. S. Hampton, B. Rock, N.C.									85	55	Yes		1		Yes
Middle Cane																
Mt. Ephraim	Virgil Greer, Triplett, N.C.	8	9	7	10	12	9			55	45	No	No			
Mt. Paran	G. D. Watson, Deep Gap, N.C.	5	18		8	7	13	4	3	58	38					
Mt. Vernon	William Brown, B. Rock, N.C.	14	19	20	34	43	40		15	185	106	Yes	No	2	17	No
New Hopewell	W. F. Henderson, Gragg, N.C.									45						
Rock Springs	Mrs. R C. Woods, Darby, N.C.									25						
Rock View	" J. F. Robbins, Triplett, N.C.	8	8	10	6	6	10		3	51	60	No				
Sandy Flat	Earl Colvard, B. Rock, N.C.	6	8	10	19		18		8	69	35	Yes				
Watauga	Troy Townsend, Banner Elk, N.C.	30	23	27	30	22	28		10	170	95	No	No	1		
Yellow Hill	Lee J. Church, Summit, N.C.	20	18	8	22	16	25	5	9	123	75				2	

NOTE-- No Vacation Bible Schools reported.

TABLE 3. Ch. Membership etc. Stony Fork Bap. Association, 1934.

CHURCHES	CLERKS AND P. O.	Own House of Worship?	When was It Built?	Material Used	Persons Seated	Number of Rooms	No. Separate Class Rooms	Value Church Property
Boone's Fork	N.R. Walters, Shulls Mills, N.C.	Yes	1916	Wood	200	1	....	$1000
Carroll's Chapel.	Roosevelt Gragg, Linville, N.C.	"	1920	"	100	1		400
Doe Ridge	Alice Brown, Boone, N.C.	"	1894	"	100	1		150
Hopkins Chapel.								
Laurel Fork	I. G. Storie, Blowing Rock, N.C.	"	1922	"	300	1	8	1800
Middle Cane	J. W. Hendrix, Stony Fork, N.C.	"	1911	"	300	1		100
Mt. Ephraim	Mrs. Jennie Hayes, Triplett, N.C.	"	1909	"	300	1		1000
Mt. Paran	I. L. Miller, Deep Gap, N.C.	"	1886	"		1		300
Mt. Vernon	Minnie Day, B. Rock, N.C.	"	1894	"	500	1	13	2000
New Hopewell	L. E. Gragg, Gragg, N.C.	"						
Rock Springs	J. T. Woods, Darby, N.C.	"		"		1		260
Rock View	C. E. Hodges, Triplett, N.C.	"	1923	"	300	1		1000
Sandy Flat	S. T. Icenhour, B. Rock, N.C.	No	1906	"	200	2	2	
Watauga	Violet Gragg, Banner Elk, N.C.	Yes	1921	"	400	1	5	3000
Yellow Hill	H. L. Beshears, Summit, N.C.	"	1907	"	400	1		1000

TABLE 4. Gifts for All Church Work, Stony Fork Baptist Association, 1934.

CHURCHES	Pastor's Salary	Orphanage	Ministerial Help	Building & Repairs	Incidentals	Literature for S.S. BYPU and W. M. S.	Help for Poor	Minutes & Clerk	Other Objects	Old Ministers	Hospitals
Boone's Fork	32.32	8.60	.....	.....	15.70	8.62	4.00	2.00	.....	.....	.....
Carrolls Chapel	28.66	1.00	4.77			6.35		1.00	1.50		
Hopkins Chapel								.50			
Doe Ridge											
Laurel Fork	36.48	73.99	10.10			17.70		2.12	20.21		
Middle Cane	27.70		3.70					1.50			
Mt. Ephraim	32.76	24.00	13.91		4.00	9.50	80.00	2.00			2.96
Mt. Paran	24.00							1.00			
Mt. Vernon	165.66	52.98	25.00		46.28	37.35	2.79	5.68	11.39	4.45	13.00
New Hopewell	15.85				22.75			1.50	3.00		
Rock Springs	24.00			10.00				1.00	5 00		
Rock View	117.20	5.00	6.00					2.00			
Sandy Flat	42.45	4.00	7.00		24.00	9.00		1.70	25 26		
Watauga	21.62	10.32	8.78					1.50			5 61
Yellow Hill	50.00			10.00	15.00			1.00			

Church Treasurers

Boones Fork, N. R. Walters, Shulls Mills.
Doe Ridge, Alice Brown, Boone.
Laurel Fork, F. F. Holder, Blowing Rock.
Middle Cane, Alice M. Hodges, Darby.
Mt. Ephraim, Charley Simons, Triplett.
Mt. Vernon, M. W. Day, Blowing Rock.
New Hopewell, L. E. Gragg, Gragg.
Rock Springs, J. T. Woods, Darby.
Rock View, J. F. Robbins, Triplett.
Sandy Flat, Mrs. S. T. Icenhour, B. Rock.
Watauga, Troy Townsend, Banner Elk.
Yellow Hill, H. L. Beshears, Summit.

Stony Fork Baptist

ASSOCIATION

SEVENTY-FOURTH ANNUAL SESSION

HELD WITH

Grandmothers Gap Baptist Church

1935

Next session to be held on Tuesday and Wednesday after second Sunday in September 1936, with Mt. Ephraim Baptist Church—go six miles east of Boone, N.C. on highway No. 60, to gravel road on south side marked TRIPLETT, and follow this road to church.

Rev. W. D. Ashley to Preach Annual Sermon,
Rev. Carl Triplett Alternate.

Printed by Will H. McGuire, Brookside, N. C.

PROGRAM FOR 1936

TUESDAY A. M.

9: 30—10:00....Organization
10:00—11:00....Annual Sermon
11:00—12:00....Missions
12:00—1:00....Lunch

Afternoon Session

1:00—1:15....Devotion
1:15—2:15....Benevolences
2:15—3:00....Duties of Pastors and Churches
3:00—4:00....Religious Training

WEDNESDAY A. M.

9:30—9:45....Devotion
9:45—10:00....Religious Literature
10:00—10:30....Sunday Schools
10:30—11:00....Woman's Work
11:00—12:00....Temperance

Afternoon Session

1:00—1:15....Devotion
1:15—1:30....In Memory of our Departed Ones
1:30—1:45....Finance
1:45—1:55....Place and Preacher
1:55—2:05....Treasurer's Report
2:05—2:20....Miscellaneous
2:20—2:30....Resolutions
2:30— . . ....Closing Program

DIRECTORY OF ASSOCIATION

Officers of Association

G. W. Gragg, Moderator ..... Boone, N. C.
Lee J. Church, Vice-Moderator ..... Summit, N. C.
Roy Keller, Clerk ..... Blowing Rock, N. C.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

N. L. Harrison, Chairman ..... Blowing Rock, N. C.
Carl Triplett ..... Blowing Rock, N. C.
Virgil Greer ..... Triplett, N. C.

ORDAINED MINISTERS

Ashley, W. D.	Blowing Rock, N. C.
Barnes, R. L.	Boone, N. C.
Brown, G. W.	"
Brown, A. M.	"
Cook, W. J.	"
Church, J. W.	Summit, N. C.
Gilley, William	Blowing Rock, N. C.
Gragg, E. M.	Shulls Mills, N. C.
Greer, R. G.	Summit, N. C.
Greene, James	Deep Gap, N. C.
Keller, Sam	Banner Elk, N. C.
Robbins, E. D.	Blowing Rock, N. C.
Triplett, Carl	"
Watson, G. M.	Boone, N. C.
Wilcox, B. F.	Blowing Rock, N. C.

ROLL OF MESSENGERS

Boone's Fork—E. M. Gragg, N. R. Walters, and Wesley Coffey.
Doe Ridge—G. W. Brown, and Kenneth Brown.
Grandmother's Gap—Virgil Gragg, Roosevelt Gragg.
Hopkins Chapel—No messengers.
Laurel Fork—J. T. Ford, and Carl Triplett.
Middle Cane—John Hendrix.
Mountain View—Theodore Hendricks, Charlie Smith, and Olen Greene.
Mt. Ephraim—Virgil Greer and Brady Cox.
Mt. Paran—G. D. Watson, Rauseau Watson, and Levie Watson.
Mt. Vernon—F. L. Hampton, N. L. Harrison, and Wm. Brown.
New Hopewell—Dewey Coffey, David Coffey, W. F. Henderson.
Rock Springs—No messengers.
Rock View—No messengers.
Sandy Flat—I. H. Henderson, and S. T. Icenhour.
Watauga—No messengers.
Yellow Hill—H. L. Beshears, Lee J. Church, and Fannie Church.

PROCEEDINGS

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On Tuesday, September 10, 1935, the Stony Fork Baptist Association convened with the Grandmother Gap Baptist church for its seventy-fourth annual session.

After the singing of "Lone Pilgrim", the Association was led in prayer by Rev. R. H. Shore.

It was moved and adopted that the Association adopt the presented PROGRAM for order of business. The Association went into the organizational business, with N. L. Harrison, R. H. Shore and Bob Smith acting as tellers, the following officers were elected: Moderator, G. W. Gragg; Vice-moderator, Lee J. Church; Clerk, Roy Keller.

The congregation sang "May I Be Ready to Go".

Preparatory to bringing the annual message, Rev. W. J. Cook read Isaiah 1: 3—20. He used II. Chronicles 7: 14 as a text. Rev. G. M. Watson led in prayer. Bro. Cook brought us a very helpful message after which he led in prayer.

Upon opening of the door of the Association, Mountain View Baptist church presented itself for membership. A committee consisting of W. J. Cook, R. H. Shore and E. M. Gragg, was appointed to examine the Articles of Faith of this church.

The following visitors were welcomed to a seat in the Association: R. D. Covington from the Orphanage; Rev. & Mrs. W. R. Beach from the Biblical Recorder; Rev. R. H. Shore from the Three Forks Association; Rev. B. L Menton from the Brushy Mountain Association; and J. M. Hodge.

The committee recommended that the Association receive into its membership the Mountain View Baptist church. The Association adopted the recommendation and gave the delegates the right hand of fellowship.

The Association empowered the Moderator and Clerk to appoint all temporary Committees and the following were appointed: Digest of Letters—William Brown, Carl triplett, R. L. Barnes; Missions—W. D. Ashley, G. W. Gragg; Benevolences— Roy Keller; Duties of Pastors & Churches—G. M. Watson; Religious Training—Wm. Brown; Religious Literature— Lee J. Church; Woman's Work—Dorothy Teague; Temperance— B. F. Wilcox; Resolutions—N. L. Harrison; In Memory of Our Departed Ones—F. L. Hampton, R. H. Shores; Finance—Carl Triplett, N. L. Harrison, William Brown; Place and Preacher—J. T. Ford, Carl Triplett, F. L. Hampton.

G. W. Gragg read the report on Missions.

MISSIONS

To the Stony Fork Association: Your committee on Missions wishes to offer the following report: After Christ had completed his mission here on earth, he said unto his disciples, "All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. Go ye therefore and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost, teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you, and, lo, I am with you always even unto the end of the world."

W. D. Ashley,
G. W. Gragg, } Com.

The discussion of this report was left for a later period.

The clerk read the report on Religious Literature. Lee J. Church W. R. Beach, B. F. Wilcox discussed the report after which it was adopted.

RELIGIOUS LITERATURE

When we think of religious literature, we think of reading matter. When we think of reading, we get in mind several things. There are various religious books sold at the Baptist Book Store that are a great help upon Bible study. Two great publications are the Biblical Recorder and Charity and Children. Yet, I believe that the Bible should be the chief study in every home, church and Sunday School. Children should be taught the importance of reading and obeying the Bible. This can be done only by adults laying the example. Far too many people of today are laying aside the Bible and reading story books, magazines and news-papers instead of the Bible. They just don't seem to have time for reading the Bible anymore. We are commanded to search the scriptures. This means that we should study earnestly and try to obey the word of God. One vital reason for so many churches going down, and failing to prosper, is that they are trying to follow forms of religion which are not pleasing in the sight of God. A great portion of the so called ministers of the gospel are preaching strange doctrines and the churches are becoming divided and the people are becoming so confused that they hardly know which is the right way. If they would pick up their Bibles and read and study and pray to God for guidance, the way would be plain. Of course there is some literature which is perfectly safe for our young people to read, while there are lots that is not.

Lee J. Church.

The congregation sang "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow" after which the Association adjourned for lunch until 1:00 p. m. Brother Covington pronounced the benediction.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

"When the Day of Life is Over" was sung.

Rev. B. L. Menton reading from St. John 15: 1–12 conducted the devotion. "Amazing Grace" was sung and Lee J. Church led in prayer.

The report on Benevolences was read by Roy Keller. It was discussed by R. D. Covington, Roy Keller, W. J. Cook and W. R. Beach. Report was adopted.

BENEVOLENCES

Before entering into the discussion of the fields covered by this heading, let us see the definition which the dictionary gives for Benevolence. We find this: "Benevolence is a desire for the well-being or comfort of others; love to mankind; or charitableness." Now we may claim to have this "desire for the well-being or comfort of others" and a "love to mankind". Still we do nothing in a material way to prove our claim. Frankly, the world is doubting our sincerity when we proclaim this feeling from the housetops and, at the same time, do nothing in a substantial manner to bring about the condition which we profess to desire. And we must confess that the world has room for this doubting.

This report covers three important phases of the Baptist work—Orphanage, Hospital, and Ministerial Relief or care—all of which are very important. Each and everyone are more or less informed as to the work with which each phase deals. It is not necessary to go into great detail in discussing these fields of endeavor. The important thing is that each and everyone of us as members of the Stony Fork Baptist Association recognize our responsibilities, as placed upon us by the Bible, for the success of each of these three fields of endeavor.

As we all know we Baptists of North Carolina have established a home composed of two units—one at Thomasville, the other near Kinston—to care for our orphan children. Since we have established this home, it is our responsibility to support it. We have no respect for the man who sets up a home and does not support it. How can we expect the world to respect us if we do not support our home for our orphans? Let each of us insist that our church gives a Once-A-Month Offering and a Thanksgiving Offering to the Orphanage and, in addition, give produce, coupons, etc. as the Lord has blessed us.

Our Baptist Hospital at Winston-Salem was erected to care for our people who need medical attention whether they are financially able to pay tor it or not. No one is refused aid for lack of funds on their part. Many times some one doesn't get aid when it is most

needed because we as Baptists do not give our offerings to the Hospital nor do we give our patronage to it. We should be liberal in our Mother's Day Offering which is the only state wide offering taken for the Hospital.

During the past few years we have been thinking more seriously about the social security of our people when their active life is ended, when sickness and old-age has gained the upper-hand. The Postal Department of our Government and many industrial corporations have devised plans for taking care of their employees in later life. We Baptists, too, have a plan to provide for our aged ministers, missionaries and denominational workers who have given their life in the service of our Lord It is to our shame that we have not subscribed more wholely as a denomination to the plan. It was for the care of this group of people that the Relief and Annuity Board of the Southern Baptist Convention was established and located at Dallas, Texas. For detailed information as to how your church may help in this great work write the above mentioned Board.

Let us awake and discharge our christian duty towards these essential phases of Baptist work.

Respectfully submitted,
Roy Keller, Comm.

Dorthy Teague read the report on Woman's Work. It was discussed by Mrs. W. R. Beach and then adopted.

WOMAN'S WORK

All down thru the ages women, individually and united, have rendered untold assistance to the kingdom and its extention and continue to do so Women occupied an honorable and important place in the ministry of Christ, and we know that Paul appreciated the help they gave him in spreading the gospel by his numerous references and greetings to them in his letters.

Great opportunities for women exist in our Association. What women have done thru the years in the work of the church and in the building of strong Christian character in the home let us still continue to do. And in the furthering of the cause of Christ may we contribute our greatest strength. We still need more women like Dorcas, who was full of good works and alms-deeds; Clement, who with others labored with Paul in the gospel; Lydia, who was Paul's first European convert, or Priscilla who taught Appollos.

"Who can find a virtuous woman? For her price is far above rubies." It was thus that Lemuel's Mother taught him in a lesson of chastity and temperance. Whether it be teachlng or whatever our hands may find to do, let us be motivated by a Christian spirit of service.

Dorothy Teague, Comm.

G. M. Watson read and discussed the report on Duties of Pastors and Churches. He was assisted in the discussion by N. L. Harrison, J. M. Hodge, and R. H. Shores. The report was adopted.

DUTIES OF PASTORS AND CHURCHES

We think about all there is to pastorial work is to keep our monthly appointments. But it embraces more work than this. To be a pastor means to be a man called and chosen of God, himself, and endued with spiritual understanding and be able to give to the people a gospel that is undefiled. We fear that there is too much form and self- reliance on the pastor's part.

G. M. Watson, Comm.

The report on Sunday Schools was read and discussed by Carl Triplett. Lee J. Church, N. L. Harrison, G. W. Gragg, and R. L. Barnes assisted in the discussion, after which the report was adopted.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS

"Say not ye, there are yet four months, and then cometh the harvest? behold I say unto you, Lift up your eyes and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest." St. John 4: 35.

There are 23,000,000 white people in Southern Baptist territory not enrolled in any Sunday School. The annual increase in white population in Southern Baptist territory is 270,000. Southern Baptists have averaged only 1.2 persons per Sunday school increase during the past two years, or only 26,000 annually.

In North Carolina there are 1,852, 478 people not in Sunday school.

In view of these Facts what shall we do? I urge the adoption of the following recommendations: 1. a 25% increase in Sunday school enrollment. 2. A definite effort to improve the Bible teaching and Bible study on the part of all officers, teachers and pupils. 3 A 25% increase in number of baptisms.

In an effort to bring about these three accomplishments, may I suggest that the following methods of work be done? 1. Either a simultaneous training school or an enlargement campaign under the direction of the Associational officers. 2. That each church take a religious census, that additional classes be organized where necessary. 3. That each Sunday school furnish the pastor and Superintendent with the Sunday School Builder. 4. That an offering be taken each month for the Baptist Orphanage at Thomasville, N. C.

Go, teach, baptizing, and I am with you always. Matt. 28: 19, 20.

Carl Triplett, Comm.

The Association appointed Carl Triplett, N. L. Harrison, H. L. Beshears and B. F. Wilcox as a committee to divide the Association

into groups for Sunday School Promotional Work.

B. F. Wilcox was appointed to conduct the devotion Wednesday morning.

"Praise God from Whom all Blessings Flow" was sung and then J. M. Hodge pronounced the benediction.

Wednesday Morning

The following songs were sung: "May I Be Ready to Go" and "Lone Pilgrim."

Reading from Hebrews 2: 1–6, Rev. B. F. Wilcox conducted the devotion.

The Sunday School Promotional Committee made their report upon the division of the Association into groups. R. L. Barnes, Lee J. Church and N. L. Harrison discussed the report after which it it was adopted.

SUNDAY SCHOOL PROMOTIONAL REPORT

We recommend that the churches be grouped as follows and that their leaders work in cooperation with the Associational Sunday School Superintendent.

Group 1	Group 2
Leader—Troy Townsend	Leader—N. L. Harrison
Grandmother Gap	Doe Ridge
New Hopewell	Boone's Fork
Hopkins Chapel	Sandy Flat
Watauga	Laurel Fork
	Mt. Vernon
Group 3	**Group 4**
Leader—Lee J. Church	Leader—F. L. Hampton
Yellow Hill	Mt. Ephraim
Mountain View	Rock View
Mt. Paran	Middle Cane
	Rock Springs

Carl Triplett was elected Associational Sunday School Superintendent.

William Brown read and discussed the report on Religious Training. He was assisted in the discussion by Roy Keller and N. L. Harrison. The report was adopted.

RELIGIOUS TRAINING

The religion of Jesus Christ is worthy of any conditions of training or teaching.

Paul bears out the fact that we should study to enable us to act more efficiently in his service, and show to a lost world that God approves our efforts. Further-more that we might be able to rightly divide and deliver his holy word.

We should take advantage of all religious training and teaching opportunities available and have our prospective missionaries to attend our Baptist seminaries if God opens up the way for them.

The church is the school America has constituted for the training of the young Christians. Note:

1. The Sunday School is educational.
2. " B. Y. P. U. " "
3. The prayer services are "
4. The raising of money is "
5. Preaching service is "

William Brown, Comm.

The report on Temperance was read by the clerk. B. F. Wilcox and W. R. Beach discussed it and then it was adopted.

TEMPERANCE

Temperance is a congenial Christ-like quality and should be sought after with a heroic determination and ever praying God's help that strong drink should be overthrown in the abyss of woe and destruction.

"His eyes shall be red with wine and his teeth white with milk." Gen. 49:12. "Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raginng and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise." Prov. 20: 1.

Strong drink is one of the greatest agencies in the hands of the devil to drag down more souls to eternal destruction possibly than any one thing. It has wrecked homes, clothed women and children in rags and caused them to get real hungry for bread. Does not a thing like this stir our hearts within us for righteousness to prevail in all places and everywhere let us exercise ourselves freely and faithfully for the abolishment of strong drink.

B. F. Wilcox, Comm.

Bro. M. O. Alexander, representing the Co-operative Program, brought us a very timely message. After his discussion the report on Missions was adopted.

The Association made an offering to the United Dry Forces which amounted to $2.80.

The Association adjourned until 1: 00 p. m. for lunch. Brother Alexander pronounced the benediction.

Wednesday Afternoon

After the singing of the song "The New Jerusalem", Brother M. O. Alexander conducted the devotion reading James 2: 14-20. Brother E. M. Gragg led in prayer.

William Brown read the report on Digest of Letters and the report was adopted.

DIGEST OF LETTERS

Thirteen churches gained by baptism 47, by letter 28; lost by letter 14, by exclusion 16, by deaths 8. The increase over last year is 34. The present membership is 1,342. Thirteen churches paid their pastors $626.89 which is a gain of $94.59 over last year. These churches contributed as follows: Orphanage $172.51; Hospitals $21.17; Old Ministers' Relief $4.23; State Missions $7.80; Foreign Missions $4.25 and to the Co-operative Program $4.00; also Ministerial Help $139.48. The total of the finances is $1371.40.

The total enrollment of the Sunday School:

Last year	802
This "	820
Gain	18

R. L. Barnes, William Brown, N. L. Harrison, Comm.

F. L. Hampton read the report in Memory of Our Departed Ones, and it was adopted.

IN MEMORY OF OUR DEPARTED ONES

Those who have out-stripped us in the lane of life are as follows:

Mt. Vernon— Sisters Rachel L. Hampton, Isabel Day, Sallie Brown; Brothers Thomas Broyhill, Jordan Hampton, (Deacon), and William Triplett.

Yellow Hill— Brother Osco Carroll.

Mt. Ephraim— Sister Mary Triplett.

Watauga— Sisters Adelade Gragg, Fine Townsend, and Nancy Yarber.

Laurel Fork— Brother Jesse Hodges.

These, our brothers and sisters, were our people whom we loved and they still live in our memory. They served their generation, we hope, in a noble way and the very best examples that they set we would do well to remember and try to practice them daily for as lives of great men all remind us, we should make our lives sublime and departing leave behind us footprints in the sand of time.

F. L. Hampton, R. H. Shore, Comm.

The Treasurer's report was read and adopted.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Received for Minute fund and Clerk hire		$30.00
Paid Printer	$20.00	
Allowed Clerk	10.00	
	$30.00	$30.00

The Executive Committee for the ensuing year consists of the following: N. L. Harrison, Chairman, Carl Triplett, and Virgil Greer.

F. L. Hampton read the report on Place and Preacher and it was adopted.

PLACE AND PREACHER

We, the committee on Place and Preacher, recommend that the Stony Fork Baptist Association meet with Mt. Ephraim Baptist church on Tuesday and Wednesday after the second Sunday in September 1936. We recommend Rev. W. D. Ashley to preach the annual sermon and Rev. Carl Triplett to be the alternate.

DIRECTIONS TO MT. EPHRAIM:

Go about six miles east of Boone on highway No. 60 to gravel road marked TRIPLETT on south side of highway follow this road to church.

F. L. Hampton, Carl Triplett, Comm.

The report on Finance was read by N. L. Harrison. After some discussion it was adopted.

FINANCE

The churches sent money as follows for clerk hire and printing of minutes:

Boone's Fork	$1.75	Mt Ephraim	$2.00
Doe Ridge	1.22	Mt. Paran	1.00
Grandmother's Gap	1.10	Mt. Vernon	6.50
Laurel Fork	3.00	New Hopewell	1.10
Middle Cane	1.50	Sandy Flat	1.50
Mountain View	2.00	Watauga	2.00
		Yellow Hill	1.00
			$25.67

We find that we have $25.67 with which to pay the clerk and to pay for the printing of the minutes. We recommend that the clerk be paid $10.00 of this amount. Respectfully submitted,

N. L. Harrison, Carl G. Triplett, William Brown, Com.

The Association instructed N. L. Harrison to draft and present Resolutions to the clerk for insertion into the minutes.

RESOLUTIONS

Stony Fork Baptist Association, in its 74th annual session, held with the Grandmother's Gap church, September 10 and 11, 1935.

We the Stony Fork Baptist people believe that in order to bring about any great reform:

1st. It must have a beginning in a good organization.

2nd. Our people must ask aright and then courageously work and vote accordingly.

And now since our statesmen and leaders in office have the power vested in them with our God to help them and since it requires a Christian leader to bring about reform. Be it resolved that: We forget politics and vote for no man that will not faithfully pledge and obligate himself to put down the liquor traffic and any other evil

that debases humanity, and desecrates the Lord's day.

Respectfully submitted,
N. L. Harrison, Comm.

The Association appointed Carl Triplett as Associational Missionary.

While singing "What a Friend We Have in Jesus", the parting hand was taken and E. M. Gragg pronounced the benediction.

G. W. Gragg, Moderator,
Roy Keller, Clerk.

Committees to Report in 1936.

Missions	Carl Triplett
Benevolences	William Brown
Duties of Pastors & Churches	Troy Townsend
Religious Training	N. L. Harrison
Religious Literature	Dorothy Teague
Sunday Schools	B. F. Wilcox
Woman's Work	Mrs. Rena Cook
Temperance	Lee J. Church
Resolutions	G. M. Watson.

NOTICE: We are expecting ALL these REPORTS to be WRITTEN BEFORE the Association CONVENES and either brought or sent to the Association.

TABLE I. Church Membership etc. Stony Fork Baptist Association Sep. 1935.

CHURCHES	Constituted	PASTORS & P. O.		Days of Meeting	Members Last Year	Baptisms	Rec. by Letter	By Statement	Restoration	Lost By Letter	Excluded	Erasures	Deaths	Total Present Membership	Prayer Meetings	Revivals During the Year	Observed Lord's Supper	Families Rec. State Baptist Paper
Boone's Fork	1871	Levi Greene, Deep Gap,	N.C.	4	85	..	2	..	..	2	..	..	..	85	no	..	1	.....
Doe Ridge	1894	E. M. Harmon, Vilas,	N.C.	2	18	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	18	"	2	..	
Grandmother's Gap	1932	L. G. Curtis, Hudson,	N.C.	2	19									19	yes			
Hopkins' Chapel	.....	No Report.																
Laurel Fork	1855	W. J. Cook, Boone,	N.C.	3	132	4			3	1			1	137	no	2		
Middle Cane	1911	Thomas Watson, Buck,	N.C.	3	31									31	"	1	1	
Mt. Ephraim	1876	W. J. Cook, Boone,	N.C.	1	179	3				1		1	1	179	"	1	1	
Mt. Paran	1886	Raymond Hendrix, Boone	N.C.	1	36	3	1			1				39	"	1	1	
Mt. Vernon	1866	R. C. Eggers, Zionville,	N.C.	4	265	7	1		1	2	3		6	263	"	2	2	2
Mountain View	1910	B. L. Menton, Congo,	N.C.	4		9	5			7	1		1	116	"		1	
New Hopewell	1872	L. G. Curtis, Hudson,	N.C.	2	92	11				3				100	yes	1		
Rock Springs	.....	No Report.																
Rock View	1923	Thomas Watson, Buck,	N.C.	4	52	6	1							59	no	1	1	
Sandy Flat	1928	R. H. Shore, Blo. Rock,	N.C.	2	72	1	1	1						75	yes	1	2	
Watauga	1844	W. C. Greene, Boone,	N.C.	1	164	19				10	5		3	165	"	2	2	
Yellow Hill	1850	Lee Beshears, Parsonville,	N.C.	3	132		1			1			1	131	no	1	1	

All these churches are located in the country.

TABLE II. SUNDAY SCHOOLS Stony Fork Baptist Association Sep. 1935.

CHURCHES	SUPERINTENDENT & P. O.		Beginners 3-5 Years	Primaries 6-8 Years	Juniors 9-12 Years	Intermediates 13-16 Years	Young People 17-24 Years	Adults 25 Years, Up	Cradle Roll Under 3 Years	Officers and Teachers	Total Enrollment	Average Attendance	Is School Graded?	Standard A-1?	Teachers holding Diplomas	Baptisms from School	Mission S. S.?
Boone's Fork	Milton Coffey, Shulls Mills,	N.C.	3	8	6	6	10	37	3	6	79	33	no	no	..	.....	no
Doe Ridge	Kenneth Brown, Boone,	N.C.	2	3		2	6	4		4	21	18	"	"	1		"
Grandmother's Gap	Spencer Gragg, Boone,	N.C.	6	6	8	3	8	19	6	5	61	29	"	"			"
Hopkins' Chapel	No Report.																
Laurel Fork	Carl Triplett. Blowing Rock,	N.C.								10		61	yes	"	2		yes
Middle Cane	Virgil Carroll, Triplett,	N.C.								3	44	35	no	"			no
Mt. Ephraim	Virgil Greer, Triplett,	N.C.	10	10	10	15		15		8	68		"	"			"
Mt. Paran	G. D. Watson, Deep Gap,	N.C.								5	50		"	"			"
Mt. Vernon	G. W. Gragg, Boone,	N.C.	12	27	19	34	40	40		16	188	106	yes	"	2		"
Mountain View	J. T. Hendrix, Stony Fork,	N.C.	21		4			17		5	47	40	no	"			"
New Hopewell	W. F. Henderson, Gragg,	N.C.										25	no	"			"
Rock Springs	No Report.																
Rock View	Lonnie Carlton, Triplett,	N.C.									35		"	"			"
Sandy Flat	Earl Colvard, B. Rock,	N.C.	10		15	9	10	20		7	71	40	yes	"		1	"
Watauga	Troy Townsend, Banner Elk,	N.C.	22	18	12	35	20	30	10	7	154	120	no	"	1	19	"
Yellow Hill	Lee J. Church, Summit,	N.C.		40	10	28		18			96	70	"	"			"

No Vacation Bible School reported.

TABLE III. Church Property, Stony Fork Bap. Asso. Sep. 1935.

CHURCHES	CHURCH CLERKS & P. O.	Own House of Worship?	When Was It Built?	Material Used	No. Persons Seated	Number of Rooms	No. Separate Class Rooms	Value Church Property
Boone's Fork	Mrs. W. F. Davis, Shulls Mills, N.C.	Yes	1916	Wood	200	1	.....	$1000
Doe Ridge	Alice Brown, Boone, N.C.	"	1894	"	100	1		150
Grandmother's Gap	Roosevelt Gragg, Linville, N.C.	"	1920	"	100	1		400
Hopkins' Chapel	No report.							
Laurel Fork	J. G. Storie, Blowing Rock, N.C.	"	1922	"	300	1	8	1800
Middle Cane	John Hendrix, Stony Fork, N.C.	"	1911	"	200	1		1000
Mt. Ephraim	Eula Wheeler, Triplett, N.C.	"	1909	"	300	1		1000
Mt. Paran	Odis Watson, Deep Gap, N.C.	"	1886	"	150	1		300
Mt. Vernon	Minnie Day, Blowing Rock, N.C.	"	1894	"	500	1	13	2000
Mountain View	O. M. Greene, Stony Fork, N.C.	"	1910	"	200	1		1000
New Hopewell	G. E. Gragg, Gragg, N.C.	"	1914	"	100	1		250
Rock Springs	No report.							
Rock View	Maggie Robbins, Triplett, N.C.	"	1923	"	300	1		1000
Sandy Flat	S. T. Icenhour, Blowing Rock, N.C.	no	1906	"	200	2	2	.....
Watauga	Joe Fox, Banner Elk, N.C.	Yes	1921	"	300	1	5	3000
Yellow Hill	H. L. Beshears, Summit, N.C.	"	1907	"	400	1		1000

Roy Keller Clerk Stony Fork Baptist Association, Blowing Rock, N. C.
G. W. Gragg Moderator " Boone, N. C.

TABLE IV. FINANCIAL Stony Fork Baptist Association Sep. 1935.

CHURCHES	Pastor's Salary	Orphanage	Minsterial Help	Building & Repairs	Co-operative Prog.	Incidentals	Literature for S.S. BYPU and W.M.U.	Help given Poor	Minutes & Clerk	Other Objects	Old Ministers	Hospitals
Boone's Fork	27.83	1.17					5.28		2.00	2.00		2.00
Doe Ridge	20.00	.60		.90			.50		1.22			
Grandmother's Gap	24.18						3.79		1.10	3.60		
Hopkins' Chapel	No report.											
Laurel Fork	72.70	43.11	24.67	14.12		3.82	22.07		3.50	5.00		3.77
Middle Cane	13.00		14.00						1.50			
Mt. Ephraim	31.70	13.47		50.00					2.50			
Mt. Paran	20.00		6.00				2.20	3.00	1.00	10.00		
Mt. Vernon	161.02	117.01	50.00		4.00	46.48	43.28	18 31	6.50	5.25	4.27	3.60
Mountain View	89.19		12.00			1.70		9.98	2.00	23.85		
New Hopewell	30.00								1.10			
Rock Springs	No report.											
Rock View	30.00		28.00					2.80	1.25			
Sandy Flat	50.05	3.79	9.00		*	23.75	10.00		2.50	1.50		4.00
Watauga	67.02	6.83	28.17				24.31	20.00	2.50	7.80		7.80
Yellow Hill	50.00					5.00	14.07	7.00	1.00			

* B. F. Wilcox gave $1.00 to Co-operative Program.

CHURCH TREASURERS & P. O.

Boones Fork, Mrs. W. F. Davis, Shulls Mills,
Doe Ridge, Alice Brown, Boone.
Laurel Fork, S. C. Ford, Blowing Rock.
Mt. Ephraim, C. T. Simmons, Triplett.
Mt. Paran, Rosco Greene, Deep Gap.
Mt. Vernon, M. W. Day, Blowing Rock
Mountain View, Geo. Algood, Stony Fork
New Hopewell, G. E. Gragg, Gragg.
Rock View, J. F. Robbins, Triplett.
Sandy Flat, Mrs S. T. Icenhour, B. Rock
Watauga, Troy Townsend, Banner Elk
Yellow Hill, H. L. Peshears, Summit.

Stony Fork Baptist

ASSOCIATION

1936

SEVENTY-FIFTH ANNUAL SESSION

HELD WITH

MT. EPHRAIM BAPTIST CHURCH

Next session to be held on Tuesday and Wednesday after the second Sunday in September 1937, with Mountain View Baptist Church. Follow the Boone Trail 12 to 14 miles east of Boone, N. C. to gravel road on south side marked STONY FORK. Look for directing sign at each road fork.

Rev. Raymond Hendrix to preach Annual Sermon, Rev. Carl Triplett, Alternate.

Will H. McGuire's Print, Brookside, N. C.

PROGRAM FOR 1937

TUESDAY A. M.

9:30—10:00 Organization
10:00—10:30 Woman's Work
10:30—11:00 Religious Literature
11:00—12:00 Annual Sermon
12:00— 1:00 Lunch

AFTERNOON SESSION

1:00—1:15 Devotion
1:15—2:15 Benevolences
2:15—2:30 Finance
2:30—2:40 Place and Preacher
2:40—2:50 Treasurer's Report
2:50—3:50 Religious Training

WEDNESDAY A. M.

9:30— 9:45 Devotion
9:45—10:15 Sunday Schools
10:15—11:15 Missions
11:15—12:00 Temperance
12:00— 1:00 Lunch

AFTERNOON SESSION

1:00—1.15 Devotion
1:15—2:00 Duties of Pastors and Churches
2:00—2:10 In Memory of our Departed Ones
2:10—2:15 Resolutions
2:15—2:20 Nominations
1:20—2:30 Miscellaneous
2:30—..... Closing Program

DIRECTORY OF ASSOCIATION

Officers of Association

G. W. Gragg, Moderator ..... Boone, N. C.
Carl Triplett, Vice-moderator ..... Blowing Rock, N. C.
Roy Keller, Clerk ..... Blowing Rock, N. C.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

N. L. Harrison, Chairman ..... Blowing Rock, N. C.
Carl Triplett, ... Blowing Rock, N. C.
Virgil Greer, ... Blowing Rock, N. C.

ORDAINED MINISTERS

Ashley, W. D. ..... Blowing Rock, N. C.
Barnes, R. L. ..... Boone, N. C.
Brown, A. M. ..... "
Brown, G. W. ..... "
Church, J. W. ..... Summit, N. C.
Cook, W. J. ..... Boone, N. C.
Gilley, Wm. ..... Blowing Rock, N. C.
Gragg, E. M. ..... Shulls Mills, N. C.
Greer, R. G. ..... Summit, N. C.
Hodge, James ..... Blowing Rock, N. C.
Keller, Sam ..... Banner Elk, N. C.
Mann, J. C. .....
Robbins, Ed ..... Blowing Rock, N. C.
Triplett, Carl ..... "
Watson, G. M. ..... Boone, N. C.
Wilcox, B. F. ..... Blowing Rock, N. C.
Wilcox, J. H. ..... Summit, N. C.

ROLL OF MESSENGERS

Boone's Fork—Mr. and Mrs. Milton Coffey, Henry Henderson, and Ed Hollifield.
Doe Ridge—G. W. Brown and Kenneth Brown.
Grandmother's Gap—Spencer Gragg.
Hopkin's Chapel—No messengers.
Laurel Fork—Carl Triplett, S. C. Ford, and F. F. Holder.
Middle Cane—J. W. Hendrix.
Mountain View—J. F. Hendrix, Charlie Smith Clarence Greene, and Jud Golds.
Mt. Ephraim—Virgil Greer, Don Hayes, and C. T. Simmons.
Mt. Paran—Roscoe Greene, Rauseau Watson, G. D. Watson, Levie Watson, and Odis Watson.
Mt. Vernon—John Cook, L. T. Elrod, F. L. Hampton, Clyde Bentley, and Bertha Day.
New Hopewell—Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Henderson, L. E. Gragg, and David Coffey.
Rock Springs—Mrs. R. C. Woods, Mamie Triplett, Ben Hawkins, and Oma Hawkins.
Rock View—C. E. Hodges, and Lonie Carlton.
Sandy Flat—I. H. Henderson, Earl Colvard, Eubert Teague, and B. F. Wilcox.
Watauga—Ted Townsend, Mr. and Mrs. U. B. Porch.
Yellow Hill—No Messengers.

PROCEEDINGS

Convening for its seventy-fifth annual session, the Stony Fork Baptist Association met with the Mt. Ephraim Baptist church on Tuesday, September 15, 1936.

After the singing of the songs: "There is a Light" and "Traveling On", the clerk read the first Psalm and Rev. G. W. Brown led the Association in prayer.

The program presented by the Executive Committee was adopted by the Association as an order of business. Organization being the first thing on the Program, the Association appointed Rev. W. R. Beach, J.A. Redfern to act as tellers during the election of officers. Upon counting all of the votes, the tellers reported the following officers elected: G. W. Gragg, Moderator; Carl Triplett, Vice.moderator; and Roy Keller, Clerk.

During the election of officers, "The Promised Land" was sung by the choir.

The Association thru the Moderator and Clerk appointed committees to prepare the following reports: Duties of Pastors and Churches— L. T. Elrod and John Cook; Temperance— N.L. Harrison,and John Cook; In Memory of Our Departed Ones— Henry Henderson, F. L. Hampton, and Don Hayes; Finance— C. T. Simmons and Virgil Greer; and Place and Preacher— F. L. Hampton and G. W. Brown.

The hour for the Annual Sermon having arrived, the congregation sang "The Land Where We'll Never Grow Old". Then Rev. Carl Triplett read Acts 10 1—24 and Rev. W. R. Beach led in prayer. Using John 3:16 as a text, Brother Triplett brought us a very helpful message on the subject of Missions.

Dorothy Teague read the report on Religious Literature.

RELIGIOUS LITERATURE

Were you to be asked what is the greatest invention, doubtless you would answer that the printing press was greatest. That invention spreading the world of books open to all eyes has helped to change the structure of civilization.

Books are worth a lot. With them we can go on long voyages to distant lands. We can "sail the seven seas", so to speak, in ships that can be carried in booksacks and taken down from our library shelves. With books we can explore deap, dark forests, enchanting cities, become introduced to beautiful birds and wild animals, climb majestic mountain peaks and sail down mysterious rivers with-

out stirring from our chairs. But there is only one book that will lead us to real happiness and speak peace to our hearts, pointing us to the road that leads to Heaven. That book is the Bible. Yet, the Bible is the last in one's thoughts as the book with which to start a better reading plan. Why is it left to the last when it is so full of good reading? Do you not think we should read and study it more?

Secondly, we must consider our leading periodicals such as the Biblical Recorder, the Forerunner, Charity and Children, and others. We must remember too, that we are not only adding to our own knowledge and enlightenment, but we are also contributing to the support of our orphanage.

There is more good reading matter than we can ever accomplish in this short life; stories which satisfy our imaginative longings and at the same time leave us with a definite memory of something worth while to think about.

People are reading, but the tragedy of it is that much of their reading is either aimless or actively harmful. Boys and girls are reading and the mow of immoral greed is making much thru the circulation of filthy literature which will poison the mind and soul of all who read. The way to overcome this evil is to provide healthy, attractive reading. Does your church have a library? If not, will you consider the possibilities?

Dorothy Teague, Comm.

After being discussed by W. R. Beach, G. M. Watson, N.L. Harrison, and Virgil Greer, the report was adopted.

The Association adjourned for lunch with the singing of the song "Come Angel Band" and the pronouncing of the benediction by Rev. Vilas Minton.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

The Association reconvened for business with the singing of two songs—"Where the Soul Never Dies" and "When the Roll is Called Up Yonder". N. L. Harrison led in prayer after which Rev. D. M. Edmisten reading from Romans 12 conducted the devotion.

At this time the following visitors were welcomed to a seat in the Association: W. R. Beach, Kings Creek, N. C.; Revs. D. M. Edmisten and Vilas Minton of Three Forks Association; and J.A. Redfern, Wilmington, N. C.

There was no response when the door of the Association was opened.

L. T. Elrod read the report on the Duties of Pastors and Churches. The following contributed to the discussion of the report: G.M. Watson, G. W. Brown, D. M. Edmisten, W. R. Beach, and Virgil Greer. It was then adopted.

DUTIES OF PASTORS AND CHURCHES

The duties of pastors are in reality, many and are probably best defined and discussed by pastors themselves. Being chosen of God indued with spiritual understanding and able to give the gospel to the people in understandable manner, being disciplined by the teachings of the Bible, he should be prepared in as much as possible to feed his flock with the fine food that God would have them have, in so much that the burning desire of his congregations will rise up as one man and call for more.

But in as much as our pastors are with rural churches only once a month it causes more responsibility on the churches for they must look after the younger ones of the flock so that they may not wander away from the fold.

L. T. Elrod
John Cook, Comm.

The report on Religious Training was read and discussed by N. L. Harrison. He was assisted in the discussion by J. A. Redfern and B. F. Wilcox. The report was then adopted.

RELIGIOUS TRAINING

With all of thinking and doing that we may do; and with all of effort and endeavor that we may put forth, we cannot too much stress Religious Training in our homes and especially in our churches.

Training religious souls, especially for church members, means to his Christian life just what West Point Training means to the soldier

The best place to find instruction about how to train for the Christian "warfare" is the Holy Bible and Christians and church members everywhere should seek its instruction and training.

This Bible teaches: Be ye doers and not hearers only. 2 Tim. 2:15, "Study to show thyself approved unto God a workman that need not be ashamed; rightly dividing the word of truth" and you will never do this without study and training.

There are many auxiliaries of our Baptist churches where you may get this teaching and training. Now what we mean by Religious Training is "Christian Religious Training" Be it resolved that we work at this Christian Religious Training more.

N. L. Harrison, Comm.

B. F. Wilcox read and discussed the report on Sunday Schools. Carl Triplett and Virgil Greer also contributed to the discussion. Then the report was adopted.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS

The church is the greatest organization on earth having its origin in God thru Jesus Christ the Sacrificial victim, the head of the

church. The church is the pillar and ground of the faith to rightly divide the word which leads all who will conform to its requirements to a noble life of usefulness.

The S. S. should be directed and guided by God loving men and women. The Sunday school is free to all and enlists as many as possible saint and sinner and if the proper effort is set forth will be a great factor in God's hands to lead numbers of souls to the Lord Jesus Christ.

No church is doing its full duty without a Sunday school to teach the word in its purity and sincerity. According to the best infomation we can get, the first Sunday school was organized in North Carolina at the Moravian church in 1807—129 years ago. Shall we not do our utmost for the Sunday school to be extended to all lands and to all people to the very ends of the earth that they may know t h e will of the blessed Christ and come under his saving influence.

Submitted, B. F. Wilcox, Comm.

Carl Triplett read the report on Missions and it was left open for discussion on Wednesday.

MISSIONS

When Jesus Christ left the world, he committed his gospel to an institution which he had built. That institution he was pleased to call his church. The church is a missionary body. Its work is to hold and to propagate the gospel. It has no other task. If it fails in this, its Commission is at an end. The great Head of the church set the only limits to our scope and time of activity. These limits are world wide and age long. The promised presence of the Lord to be with us is conditioned upon our obedience to his Missionary Program. The church that is not missionary in heart and in practice has no abiding fellowship with Jesus.

What is our greatest need? Is it not the rekindling of evangelical fires? Evangelical fires are the very heart of all missionary enterprises. If the fires cease to burn at home, they will certainly cease abroad.

All missionary effort should begin at home, but it is short sighted if it seeks to remain there. Christ's Program included the whole world and our efforts must not include less. In view of these things, we recommend to our churches:

1 That they lay to heart the last words of our Lord Jesus "Go ye and teach all nations";

2. That an offering be taken regularly for the support of Missions;

3. That we give not expecting to receive. "Sinners lend to sinners that they might receive as much again".

Carl G. Triplett, Comm.

Carl Triplett read the Associational Missionary report. It was discussed by N. L Harrison and then adopted. The Association re-elected Carl Triplett Associational Missionary for the ensuing year.

Wm. Brown was appointed to conduct the devotion Wednesday morning. "How Beautiful Heaven Must Be" was sung and B. F. Wilcox pronounced the benediction.

WEDNESDAY MORNING

After singing "Watching You" and "What a Friend We Have in Jesus", B. F. Wilcox led in prayer and Wm. Brown reading from 1 Cor. 8: 1–13 conducted the devotion. At this time R. D. Covington from the Orphanage was welcomed to a seat in the Association.

The report on Benevolences was read and discussed by William Brown. R. D. Covington, G. W. Brown, and B. F. Wilcox assisted in the discussion. The Report was adopted.

BENEVOLENCES

In the study of James we are convinced that faith is dead without works. This enlightens us to the fact that all who possess a hope in Christ Jesus are under the weight of a cross.

Since our kind and meriful Redeemer has not called us all to be preachers, or teachers, or even public speakers but given us all a part to play in his earthly kingdom, we have the Baptist hospital to which we may contribute our sacrifices giving assistance in bringing happiness to suffering humanity.

The Relief and Annuity Board affords us another great Benevolence to which we may contribute and not only help God's retired servants but cause the love and glory of God to flow to lost humanity.

And then aside from it all may we picture in our minds the helpless youth destitute of homes and in need of fatherly and motherly sympathy. Surely our ears cannot be too deaf to hear and God forbid that our visions be semi-darkness. Our Baptist Orphanage at Thomasville not only affords us the opportunity of contributing our money but also all the necessities for existence in life.

"And all the tithe of the land whether the seed of the land or the fruit of the tree, is the Lord's. It is holy unto the Lord." Lev. 27:30.

Brethren pray that we may eliminate dishonesty to God.

Wm. Brown, Comm.

The Clerk read the report on Woman's Work. It was spoken to by Minnie Day and adopted.

WOMAN'S WORK

"Favor is deceitful, and beauty is vain: but a woman that feareth the Lord she shall be praised.

Give her of the work of her hands; and let her own works praise her within the gates."

The work that has been done by the women of our churches is doubtless much greater than we would suppose from casual observation. We know how deeply most are concerned for the unbelievers, and what a great part they have had in every phase of church work, altho not such a conspicuous part. At every crisis the church has faced, women have helped prepare the way for the spirit of power, even as those women who were present when the Spirit first came upon the church at Pentacost.

The circumstances under which most of us live make it hard to carry out an organized program of woman's work in our association. Nevertheless, there are many of us who feel that such an organization would be a great inspiration and encouragement to our women, and would bring even more definite benefits. This work would really be a tribute to them for what they have already done, and express confidence in their ability.

"Let us not be weary in well doing", tho, no matter where or in what manner it must be done, "for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not" Respectfully submitted,

(Mrs) Rena Cook.

After F. L. Hampton read the report In Memory of Our Departed Ones, it was adopted. R. D. Covington led the Association in a prayer of reverence for those of our number who have gone to their reward.

IN MEMORY OF OUR DEPARTED ONES

In remembrance of those who have departed this life, as followers of Christ:

Laurel Fork— Miss Mary Cook, Mrs. Lanticia Greene.
Middle Cane— Mrs. Rhilda Riner.
Mt. Ephraim— Mr. I. H. Johnson.
Mt. Vernon— Mrs. Cordelia Benson, Mrs Myrtle Bolick, Mrs. Harriet Greene and Mrs. Laura Coffey.
Mountain View— Mrs. Marie Greene and Mr. G. S. Golds.
New Hopewell— Mr. G F. Coffey and Deacon Joseph Coffey.
Sandy Flat— Mrs. Mary Teague.

These were our brothers and sisters in Christ, whom we dearly loved, and their best examples, we would do well to practice.

H. S. Henderson, Don Hayes, F. L Hampton, Comm.

The Clerk read the Treasurer's Report. The Association made up the amount due the clerk and adopted the report.

TREASURE'S REPORT

Received for Minute fund and clerk hire		$29.67
Paid Printer	$20 00	
Allowed Clerk	10 00	
Due Clerk		.33
	$30.00	$30.00

F L. Hampton read the report on Time, Place and Preacher and it was adopted.

TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER

The Stony Fork Baptist Association will meet with Mountain View Baptist church on Tuesday and Wednesday after the second Sunday in September 1937. We recommend Rev. Raymond Hendrix to preach Annual Sermon and Rev. Carl Triplett as alternate.

Directions to Mountain View: Follow the Boone Trail 12 to 14 miles east of Boone, N. C. to gravel road on south side marked STONY FORK. Look for directing sign at each road fork.

F. L. Hampton, G. W. Brown, Comm.

The clerk read the resolutions and they were adopted.

RESOLUTIONS

The committee on resolutions submits the following:

1. Be it resolved that this Association express its thanks to the Moderator and Clerk for their efficient service rendered to the Association.

2. Be it resolved that we the Stony Fork Association express our thanks to Mt. Ephraim church for their hospitality shown us in this session of the Association.

3. Be it resolved that the Stony Fork Association express its gratitude to the Mt. Ephraim church for the new church building and that the blessings of God may still remain.

G. M Watson, Comm.

Virgil Greer read and discussed the finance report. He was assisted by Roy Keller, F. L Hampton, G. W. Gragg, and G. W. Brown. The report was adopted.

FINANCE

Boone's Fork	2.00	Mountain View	2.00
Doe Ridge	1.00	New Hopewell	1 50
Grandmother's Gap	.60	Rock Springs	1.00
Laurel Fork	2.52	Rock View	1.00
Middle Cane	1.50	Sandy Flat	2.05
Mt. Ephraim	3.00	Watauga	2.50
Mt. Paran	1.25	Association	.31
Mt. Vernon	6.00		
		Total,	$28.23

We the finance committee, recommend that the Association pay the clerk ten dollars.

Virgil Greer,
C. T. Simons, Comm.

B. F. Wilcox was appointed to conduct the devotion after lunch.

After singing "I Want to Love Him More", the Association adjourned for lunch with G. W. Brown speaking the benediction.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

The congregation sang "Amazing Grace" and B. F. Wilcox reading from Acts 1: 1—19 conducted the devotion.

R. D. Covington and B. F. Wilcox discussed the report on Missions and it was adopted.

N. L. Harrison read the report on Temperance W. R. Beach discussed it and then it was adopted.

TEMPERANCE

When we speak of Temperance, we naturally think of keeping in touch with things pertaining to the things that Christ would have us do. Christ taught us sobriety, economy, gentleness, meekness, kindness, brotherly love and especially temperance.

We are taught in the word to abstain from all appearance of evil. I. Thess 5: 22. We are admonished many times in the word to leave off strong drink. Why? Because "at last it stingeth like an adder and biteh like a serpent." Because it leads men to turn liberty into license; to turn men with great intellect into brutes; turns good homes into hovels and good church members into noncommitant and noninterested beings to leave off their duties as Christian workers and instead destroy wife and child—even family.

Be it resolved: that every church and church member in the Stony Fork Association do all they can by prayer and effort in every Christian way possible to put down the liquor traffic. Then we will need less of the command, "touch not, taste not the unclean thing."

J. F. Cook, N. L. Harrison, Comm.

The Association reappointed the Executive Committee of 1936 to serve in 1937.

The Association appointed the following to work with N. L. Harrison, Associational Sunday School Superintendent, in Sunday school Promotional work:

Group No. 1	Group No. 2
Leader—Henry Henderson	Leader—N. L. Harrison
Grandmother Gap	Doe Ridge
New Hopewell	Boone's Fork
Hopkin's Chapel	Sandy Flat
Watauga	Laurel Fork
	Mt. Vernon

Group No. 3
Leader—Lee J. Church
Yellow Hill
Mountain View
Mt. Paran

Group No. 4
Leader—F. L. Hampton
Mt. Ephraim
Rock View
Middle Cane
Rock Springs

As we sang "Where We'll Never Grow Old", the parting hand was taken and R. D. Covington pronounced the benediction. Thus ended the seventy-fifth annual session of the Stony Fork Baptist Association.

G. W. Gragg, Moderator
Roy Keller, Clerk.

Committees to Report in 1937

Woman's Work	Jennie Hayes
Religious Literature	Earl Colvard
Benevolences	Carl Triplett
Religious Training	Rena Cook
Sunday Schools	Henry Henderson
Missions	Dorothy Teague
Temperance	S. C. Ford
Duties of Pastors & Churches	Roy Keller
Resolutions	Virgil Greer

Church Treasurers and Post Offices

[Not space in the Finance Table for these.]

Boone's Fork	Mrs. W. F. Davis,	Shulls Mills, N. C.
Doe Ridge	Alice Brown,	Boone, N. C.
Grandmother's Gap	Callie Hollander,	Linville, N. C.
Laurel Fork	S. C. Ford,	Blowing Rock, N. C.
Middle Cane	Fannie Greene,	Deep Gap, N. C.
Mt. Ephraim	C. T. Simmons,	Triplett, N. C.
Mt. Paran	Rosco Greene,	Deep Gap, N. C.
Mt. Vernon	M. W. Day,	Blowing Rock, N. C.
Mountain View	George Algood,	Stony Fork, N. C.
New Hopewell	L. E. Gragg,	Gragg, N. C.
Rock View	J. F. Robbins,	Triplett, N. C.
Sandy Flat	Mrs. S. T. Icenhour,	Blowing Rock, N. C.
Watauga	J. C. Mann,	Banner Elk, N. C.
Yellow Hill	Wade Beshears,	Summit, N. C.

NOTICE: We are expecting ALL these REPORTS to be WRITTEN BEFORE the Association CONVENES and either brought or sent to the Association.

TABLE I. Church Membership Etc. Stony Fork Baptist Association Sept. 1936

CHURCHES	Constituted	PASTORS & P. O.	Days of Meeting	Members Last Year	Baptisms	Received by Letter	Statements	Restorations	Lost by Letter	Excluded	Erasures	Deaths	Total Present Membership	Weekly Prayer Meetings	Revivals During the Year	Observed the Lord's Supper	State Baptist Paper Taken
Boone's Fork	1871	Levi Greene, Deep Gap, N.C.	4	85	13	8	..	..	..	..	..	..	106	no	1	2	..
Doe Ridge	1894	E. M. Harmou, Vilas, N.C.	2	18	4				2				20		1		
Grandmother's Gap	1932	Cloyd Curtiss, Hudson, N.C.	2	19	5				1				23		1	1	
Hopkin'sChapel	1917	L. L. Nichols, Lenoir, N.C.	4		1				1				16	no			
Laurel Fork	1855	W. J. Cook, Boone, N.C.	3	137	4			2	2	6		2	133	"	1	1	
Middle Cane	1911	Thomas Watson,Triplett, N.C.	3	31	1	3						1	34	"		3	
Mt.Ephraim	1876	Vilas Minton, SugarGrove N.C.	2	179	10							1	188		1	1	
Mt. Paran	1886	R. E. Hendrix, Boone, N.C.	1	39						2			37	no		1	
Mt. Vernon	1863	R. C. Eggers, Zionville, N.C.	4	263		1			1	2		4	257	"		2	2
Mountain View.	1910	B. L. Minton, Congo, N.C.	4		11	2	2	3	1	2		2	70	yes	1	1	
New Hopewell	1872	Cloyd Curtiss, Hudson, N.C.	2	100				1	2	8		2	89	no		1	
Rock Springs		Henry Smith, Deep Gap, N.C.			4	1							29				
Rock View	1923		4	59		1							60				
Sandy Flat	1928	R.H.Shores, Blowing R'k N.C.	2		10	1	1	1	1			1	79	yes	1	2	
Watauga	1844	W. C. Greene, Boone, N.C.	1	165	1	3			2	2			165	no	1	2	
Yellow Hill	1850	Henry Smith, Deep Gap, N.C.	3	131									131	"	1	1	

All above churches are located in the country.

TABLE II. SUNDAY SCHOOLS Stony Fork Baptist Association Sept. 1936.

CHURCHES	SUPERINTENDENT & P. O.		Beginners 3-5 Years	Primaries 6-8 Years	Juniors 9-12 Years	Intermediates 13-16 Years	Young People 17-24 Years	Adults 25 Years, Up	Cradle Roll Under 3 yrs	Officers and Teachers	Total Enrollment	Average Attendance	Is School Graded?	Teachers holding Diplomas	Baptisms from School	Vacation Bible School?	Enrollment	Average Attendance
Boone's Fork	Milton Coffey, Shulls Mills,	N.C.	3	7	8	6	7	24	2	6	63	41	no	..	..	yes	30	22
Doe Ridge	Kenneth Brown, Boone,	N.C.	4	6	5	4	6	3		5	33	29	yes	1		"		
Grandmother's Gap	Spencer Gragg, Linville,	N.C.	4	6	5	4	2	10	2	4	37	20						
Hopkin'sChapel	Caroline Gillespie, Edgemont,	N.C.	7	7	8	6	12	7		3	47	30	yes	2				
Laurel Fork	S. C. Ford, Blowing Rock,	N.C.								17	71	51		2				
Middle Cane	Thomas Watson, Triplett,	N.C.	8	8	9	7	4	10	4	5	55		yes		1			
Mt. Ephraim	Virgil Greer, Triplett,	N.C.	11	6	8	9	9	11		6	60	30	no					
Mt. Paran	G. D. Watson, Deep Gap,	N.C.	4	8				15	4	4	50							
Mt. Vernon	Roy Keller, Blowing Rock,	N.C.	12	28	29	28	35	28		15	160	111	yes	2		yes	100	90
Mountain View.	Monroe Greene, Deep Gap,	N.C.	6	6	5	9	9		6	6	47	42	"					
New Hopewell	Dewey Coffey, Gragg,	N.C.									34	25	no					
Rock Springs											30							
Rock View	Lonie Carlton, Triplett,	N.C.																
Sandy Flat	Earl Colvard, Blowing Rock,	N.C.	13		10	10	9	21		7	70	53	yes		4	yes	35	30
Watauga	J. C. Mann, Banner Elk,	N.C.	19	11	18	37	22	20		10	137	137			1			
Yellow Hill	Lee J. Church, Summit,	N.C.	14	26	12	29		32	9	5	127	65	no					

No Home Department, A-1 nor Mission Sunday Schools reported.

TABLE III. Church Property Stony Fork Bap. Asso. Sept. 1936.

CHURCHES	CHURCH CLERKS & P. O.		Own House of Worship?	When was it Built?	Material Used	No. Persons Seated	Number of Rooms	No. Separate Class Rooms	Value Church Property
Boone's Fork	Mrs. W. F. Davis, Shulls Mills,	N.C.	Yes	1916	Wood	200	1	.....	1000
Doe Ridge	Alice Brown, Boone,	N.C.	"	1894	"	100	1		150
Grandmother's Gap	Roosevelt Gragg, Linville,	N.C.	"	1920	"	100	1		400
Hopkin's Chapel	Cenie Coffey, Edgemont,	N.C.	"	.....	"	100	2	2	500
Laurel Fork	J. G. Storie, Blowing Rock,	N.C.	"	1922	"	300	1		1500
Middle Cane	Virgil Carroll, Triplett,	N.C.	"	1911	"	300	1		1000
Mt. Ephraim	Eula Wheeler, Boone,	N.C.	"	1936	"	300	1		1000
Mt. Paran	Rauseau Watson, Deep Gap,	N.C.	"	1886	"	200	1		300
Mt. Vernon	Minnie Day, Blowing Rock,	N.C.	"	1894	"	500	1		2000
Mountain View.	O. M. Greene, Stony Fork,	N.C.	"	1910	"	300	1		1000
New Hopewell	L. E. Gragg, Gragg,	N.C.	"	1914	"	100	1		250
Rock Springs	J. T. Woods, Darby,	N.C.							
Rock View	G. W. Hodges, Triplett,	N.C.	"	1923	"	300	1		1000
Sandy Flat	S. T. Icenhour, Blowing Rock,	N.C.	No	1906	"	200	3	3	
Watauga	Ted Townsend, Banner Elk,	N.C.	Yes	1921	"	400	1		3000
Yellow Hill	Wade Beshears, Summit,	N.C.	"	1907	"	400	1		1000

TABLE IV. FINANCIAL Stony Fork Baptist Asso. Sept. 1936.

CHURCHES	Pastor's Salary	Orphanage	Ministerial Help	Building & Repairs	Co-operative Prog	Incidentals	Literature for S.S.B.Y.P.U and W.M.S.	Help given Poor	Minutes & Clerk	Other Objects	Old Ministers	Hospitals
Boone's Fork	104.89	22.00	13.60	14.21	.....	1.00	9.00	.....	2.00	5.10	8.45	5.00
Doe Ridge	2.00	1.00	2.20				1.22		1.00			
Grandmother's Gap	21.39	.95	4.73						.60	3.62		
Hopkin'sChapel	3.55											
Laurel Fork	58.33	4.46	27.30	78.69		21.48	28.75	3.50	2.52	2.62	3.50	7.77
Middle Cane	40.00		7.00					15.00	1.50			
Mt. Ephraim	33.29		15.50	500.00	1.14		11.07		3.00			1.78
Mt. Paran	20.28		12.16						1.25			
Mt. Vernon	100.00	145.39			26.74	43.55	45.90	23.45	6.69	8.00		20.26
Mountain View.	90.18		20.00	34.70			2.00		2.00	20.00		5.70
New Hopewell	28.88								1.50	2.00		
Rock Springs	30.00				8.00				1.00			
Rock View	20.00								1.00			
Sandy Flat	65.85	19.41	23.00	11.00		43.80	12.96		2.05	8.52	1.00	2.52
Watauga	49.55	18.87		18.00	1.64		15.65	4.01	2.50			5.00
Yellow Hill	50.00	1.38				16.00	14.50		1.00			

THE SEVENTY-SIXTH ANNUAL SESSION

— OF THE —

STONY FORK
BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

WAS HELD WITH

MOUNTAIN VIEW BAPTIST CHURCH

September 14th and 15th,

1937

REV. B. F. WILCOX, Moderator, Shulls Mills, N. C.
LEE J. CHURCH, Vice Moderator, Summit, N. C.
REV. G. M. WATSON, Clerk, Boone, N. C.

Next session to be held with Watauga Baptist Church Tuesday and Wednesday after the second Sunday in Sept. 1938, located near the Linville River Railroad, about 15 or 20 miles west of Boone. Go by way of Shulls Mills.

Rev. W. D. Ashley to preach the Annual Sermon, Rev. Carl Triplett his alternate.

Will H. McGuire's Print, Brookside, N. C.

Stony Fork Baptist Association, 1937

OFFICERS OF ASSOCIATION

Rev. B. F. Wilcox Moderator, ... Shulls Mills, N. C.
Lee J. Church Vice-Mod. ..... Summit, N. C.
Rev. G. M. Watson Clerk, ... Boone, N. C.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Eufert Teague Chairman, ... Blowing Rock, N. C.
G. W. Gragg, ... Boone, "
S. C. Ford, ... Blowing Rock, "

Ordained Ministers

and name of churnh they affiliate with:

Laurel Fork	W. D. Ashley,	Blowing Rock, N.C.
"	Carl Triplett,	"
Doe Ridge	G. W. Brown,	Boone, N.C.
"	A. M. Brown,	"
Middle Cane	R. L. Barnes,	"
Mountain View	James Greene,	Stony Fork, N.C.
Mt. Vernon	W. J. Cook,	Boone, N.C.
"	Wm. Gilley,	"
Watauga	J. C. Mann,	Banners Elk, N.C.
Sandy Flat	B. F. Wilcox,	Shulls Mills, N.C.
"	Edd Robbins	Blowing Rock, N.C.
Rock View	G. M. Watson,	Boone, N.C.
Yellow Hill	J. H. Wilcox,	Summit, N.C.
"	R. G. Greer,	Brownwood, N.C.

LICENTIATES

Mt. Ephraim	C. C. Triplett,	Triplett, N.C.
Yellow Hill	Lee J. Church,	Summit, N.C.

Student for the Ministry:

Grandmother Gap	Spencer Gragg,	Linville, N.C.

Roll of Messengers

Boone's Fork—J. A. Hollifield, H. S. Henderson, Mrs. E. H. Hollifield, Sherman Henderson.

Doe Ridge—Rev. G. W. Brown, Kenneth Brown.

Grandmother Gap—Roosevelt Gragg, Virgil Gragg, Isabella Gragg

Hopkins Chapel—No messengers.

Laurel Fork—Arthur Triplett, Rev. Carl Triplett.

Middle Cane—J. W. Hendrix.

Mountain View—Vernie Greene, Ben Triplett, O. M. Greene; Charlie Smith, Theodore Hendrix, Geo. Algood.

Mt. Ephraim—Virgil Greer.

Mt. Paran—G. D. Watson, Roscoe Greene, Levi Watson, Russou Watson.

Mt. Vernon—Roby Vandyke, N. L. Harrison, F. L. Hampton, Mrs. Rena Cook.

New Hopewell—W. F. Henderson.

Rock Springs—R. C. Woods, Vaughn Woods.

Rock View—Ben Watson.

Sandy Flat—I. H. Henderson, Rev. B. F. Wilcox.

Watauga—By letter.

Yellow Hill—Lee J. Church.

PROCEEDINGS

Convening for its seventy-sixth annual session, the Stony Fork Baptist Association met with Mountain View Baptist Church on Tuesday September 14th and 15th 1937.

After singing of the song, Amazing Grace, Rev. R. H. Shore led in prayer. Song, He Loves Me.

Matthew 4th to 5th was read by Rev. W. R. Beech who conducted the devotion.

Program presented by Executive Committee was adopted.

The time of the present officers expired, a move to elect Moderator and Clerk was in effect. W. R. Beech and R. H. Shore to act as Tellers. Tellers reported B. F. Wilcox elected moderator and G. M. Watson associational clerk.

Extended invitation to correspondents and visitors. Bro. W. R. Beech from Caldwell association. Rev. R. H. Shore, D. M. Wellborn, G. L. Payne, Rev W. C. Payne and Mrs. R. L. Wagner from Three Forks association, and Rev. J. C. Pipes Bumcombe County association, accepted seats.

WOMAN'S WORK

Report on Woman's Work was read by Roy Keller. Spoken to by Mrs. R. L. Wagner, Mrs. G. W. Gragg, Lee J. Church, L. P. Haas and Mrs. W. R. Beech and adopted.

In regard to Woman's Work let yaur light so shine before the world that they may see your good works and glorify your Father who is in heaven.

The Lord has a job for us all. Let us ever be ready, our lamps trimmed and burning. So many of us fail to do what the Lord would have us do. The work that has been done by the women of our churches seems to be progressing nicely but yet we need more. We should begin to seek the lost more earnestly, look to the needs of our churches, use our means and strength more freely.

The man or woman who does not know Christ is poor indeed.

What does the soul of man need if it is not life abundant, love divine, true peace and Heaven.

Let us ever work and pray with the full purpose at heart that we may gain more and more each year. Have faith as the woman of Canaan when Jesus said unto her, Woman great is thy faith, be it unto thee as thou wilt. Let us be ever faithful, use our means to feed the flock on the sincere milk of the Word lest they faint in the way.

Mrs. Jennie Hayes, Comm.

Report on Religious Literature. Not being present, deferred it to a later hour. Roy Keller and W. R. Beech were appointed to make the report.

Then the choir sang Amazing Grace. Rev. Raymond Hendrix, the appointee to preach the annual sermon, read Romans 12th ch. J. C. Pipes led in prayer. Text from Romans 12—1. Theme, living sacrifice. Bro. Hendrix delivered an interesting sermon.

Rev. G. M. Watson led in prayer.

At this time the associational letters were handed in and Roy Keller and F L Hampton were appointed committee on digest of letters.

After some touching remarks by Sister Bessie Blake, the association adjourned until 1 o'clock.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON

The association reassembled at 1 o'clock. Song, Don't You Want to Go. Rev. G. W. Brown conducted the devotional by reading John 14ch. 1, 2, 3 verses and led in prayer.

The association was called to order by the Moderator.

Moved that Lee J. Church be elected Vice Moderator. Brother Church was elected by acclamation.

Moved that the Moderator and Clerk be empowered to make all temporary appointments for the present session.

Appointed Com. on Finance: N. L. Harrison, H. S. Henderson.

Com. on Place and Preacher: I. H. Henderson, J. A. Hollifield.

Report on Missions was read by Roy Keller. Spoken to by G.M. Watson, J. C. Pipes, B. F. Wilcox, and adopted.

MISSIONS

Jesus was the Word made flesh for a mission to seek and to save those who were lost.

Christ did not come to sit down and wait for the people to gather about him, nor did he go about the villages, *being* good, but he went about *doing* good. The chief concern of Christ was to bring the Kingdom of God upon the earth even as it is in Heaven. He saw

that the harvest was plentiful and asked his diciples to pray that the Lord of the harvest might send forth laborers into his fields. The Saviour did not say to pray for the harvest to come to the laborers, but for them to go into the harvest I do not think that Christ would have asked us to pray for workers if he did not intend to quicken some person's soul with a call to meet our heart-felt request If he asks us to pray he intends to answer our prayers.

Let us pray earnestly for workers of the right kind to go, and if we are sincere in our prayers we will support the work.

Christ says even as thou didst send me into the world even so send I you. Go seek and save those who are lost

Dorthy Teague, Comm.

Treasurer's Report was read by Roy Keller and adopted.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Received for Printing Minutes and Clerk Hire, $30.00

Paid Printer,	$20 00
Paid Clerk,	10.00
Total,	$30 00

At this time Rev. W. D. Ashly brought before the association the matter of indebtedness for printing Minutes which was due Will H. McGuire. A collection was taken and the amount paid in.

The association authorized W. D. Ashley to carry this amount to Brother McGuire Amount received $19 95.

Report on Finance was read by N. L. Harrison.

FINANCE

For printing minutes and clerk hire :

Mt. Vernon	$5.00	Mountain View	2.00
Mt. Paran	1.25	New Hopewell	1.00
Boone's Fork	2.00	Sandy Flat	2.00
Rock Springs	1.00	Rock View	1.50
Mt. Ephraim	3.00	Watauga	2.50
Grandmother Gap	.60	Yellow Hill	1.00
Doe Ridge	1.00	Laurel Fork	3.01
Middle Cane	1.50	Total,	$28.36

For Printing Minutes,	$20.00
Allowed Clerk,	10.00
	$30.00

Paid Printer	$20.00
Clerk	8.36
	$28.36

N. L. Harrison, H. S. Henderson, Com.

Report on Place and Preacher read by J. A. Hollifield. Report

adopted.

PLACE AND PREACHER

We your committee on Place and Preacher recommend that the next session of the Stony Fork Association be held with Watauga Baptist Church Tuesday and Wednesday after the second Sunday in September 1938. Rev. W. D. Ashley to preach the annual sermon, Rev. W. J. Cook alternate.

A move that the associational year end Sept 1st each year, thus giving the ch. clerks time to gather all the statistics of the church.

Report on Religious Training was read by Rena Cook. Report received. Spoken to by Roy Keller, N. L. Harrison, Lee J. Church, and Bessie Blake and adopted.

RELIGIOUS TRAINING

My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge. Because thou hast rejected knowledge I will also reject thee. These words of the prophet Hosea show us that religious training and education have always been so essential to the life of God's people that when they are rejected the people are destroyed by doubts, by lack of confidence, by the lack of proper weapons for the Christian warfare, and by a dimming of their vision so that they cannot see God's purpose for their lives. We remember too infrequently that our Baptist people provide colleges, junior and senior, and seminaries where our young people may learn to use their talents and knowledge for God. Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest that he would send forth laborers into his harvest.

The training work of the church should inspire workers to desire the best in religious training, for in the words of Solomon, Wisdom is a defence and money is a defence, but the excellency of knowledge is that wisdom giveth life to them that have it. Many a personality has been wasted and many a light kept under a bushel from the simple fact that that person lacked training in how to go about God's work, even though the heart yearned to give its best. No one can come his nearest to perfection in Christ except he have knowledge and training, and each of our churches should be a training camp within itself. Hundreds of our people have been touched by some form of religious training in the last year, but we must strive to have a more constant program of work till we all come in the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God unto a perfect man unto the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ.

We must follow after charity and desire spiritual gifts until we have for our people the wisdom and knowledge that giveth life, that makes us realize the sanctity of life, the noble purposes for it, and the unspeakable joy of life in the Master.

Mrs. Lena Cook, Com.

B. F. Wilcox to preach at night and Lee J. Church to conduct the devtional Wednesday morning.

A move was in effect to adjourn until Wednesday 9: 3' o'clock.

Wednesday Morning, 9: 30 o'clock

After singing Wondrous Love, Lee J. Church read the 1st chapter of Psalms. Sang, When Shall I See Jesus. Prayer by Lee J. Church.

The association was called to order by the Moderator.

Extended invitation to visitors. R. D. Covington, representing Mills Home, was recognized.

Report on Religious Literature was read by Roy Keller and received. Spoken to by Roy Keller, G. M. Watson, Lee J. Church, G. W. Brown and R. D. Covington and adopted.

RELIGIOUS LITERATURE

Our young people are going to read something, either trash or good literature, we can largely determine which. If our Sunday schools will buy for the primaries, juniors and intermediates the little papers or magazines published by the Baptist Sunday school Board, the taste and love for good and wholesome reading will be deepened in our young people and as a result when they are adults they will more readily read our denominational papers, such as Charity and Children and the Biblical Recorder. Every Baptist home in our association should be reading both of these papers.

Roy Keller, Com.

Report on Sunday Schools was read by G. M. Watson and received. Spoken to by R. D Covington, N. L. Harrison, Lee J. Church Bynum Triplett, G. L. Payne, B. F. Wilcox and H. S. Henderson and adopted.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS

It is our desire that every church in the Stony Fork association make a special effort through its influentlal members to have an evergreen Sunday school. As Christ taught in the synagogue on the Sabbath day, so should we as his followers, study and teach on the Sabbath day. We read in Paul's writing, Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of Truth. Hence we feel that we should study diligently to get the greatest blessing

In Sunday school more than any other organization of the church we feel that we need Christian leadership. Shall we not do our best to spread the gospel to all the lands through the influence of our Sunday schools.

H. S. Henderson, Com.

The report on Benevolence was read by Roy Keller and received. Spoken to by Roy Keller, R. D Covington, G. W. Brown, I. H. Henderson and N. L. Harrison and adopted.

BENEVOLENCE

Our benevolences are divided into 3 groups — Orphanage, Hospitals and Old Ministers' Relief, each of which are equally important in Christ's plan of work.

The challenge comes to us as Christians to be doers rather than hearers only in the Lord's work. What better opportunity have we to be doers than in the support of the orphans who are dependent upon us, in the healing of the sick through our contributions to our hospital, and caring for our old wornout preachers. Let us earnestly carry out this part of Jesus' work in the way in which he would have us.

Roy Keller, Carl Triplett, Committee.

Moved that the association appoint an orphanage representative N. L. Harrison appointed.

Report on Temperance was read by N. L. Harrison. Report rec'd Spoken to by N. L. Harrison and S. C. Eggers and adopted.

TEMPERANCE

In speaking and thinking of Temperance we should think of Christ's life and teaching while on earth and take that as our waybill. The Bible says [Does it?] Be ye temperate in all things. If we would heed this scripture [?] and pattern our lives after Christ we would, as Christians, have a great deal more influence to lead the world to repentance than we have.

The apostle Paul points out in Romans 14: 21 that it is good neither to eat flesh nor to drink wine nor anything whereby thy brother stumbleth or is offended or is made weak. We should heed these teachings lest we be a stumbling block for others.

The worst of all intemperance is the use of alcoholic drinks which has been the cause of tens of thousands of deaths on our highways alone not counting the other deaths, murders, crimes, insanity, troubles and sorrow caused by it.

What is needed is proper laws on the statute books to help keep the world straight is the law of love in human hearts. The Lord says in 2d Chron. 7: 14 If my people which are called by my name shall humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then will I hear from heaven and will forgive their sins and will heal their land.

So Christian people we should be humble and pray that the Lord will help us remove intemperance out of our land.

S. C. Ford, Committee.

AFTERNOON, WEDNESDAY

The association reassembled. Song, Promised Land.

Rev. R. L. Barnes conducted the devotion, reading John 14, 1 to 6 verses and led in prayer.

The association was called to order by the Moderator.

Report on Duties of Pastors and Churches was read by Roy Keller and received. Spoken to by Roy Keller and G. W. Brown. Adopted.

DUTIES OF PASTORS AND CHURCHES

The pastor being a man called by God to lead and feed his people should always be diligent in his study of the Bible, searching to find God's plan. Not only in leading but also in feeding the people.

He should preach God's complete plan rather than the part which happens to be his special favorite. Then while he is doing all this, he should be PRACTICING daily what he is preaching.

While the pastor is doing his duty, the church has certain duties. These are developing and training young Christians for active church leadership, supporting adequately the pastor, and all phases of God's program. The church membership, if it is to progress, must also be "doers", and not hearers only, of the Word. If our churches are to have the influence in the life of their community which God would have them have, they must turn from a passive to an aggressive attitude. They must do something tangible for God's cause.

Roy Keller, Com.

Report on Remembrance of our Deceased was read by J. A. Hollifiield and received.

Our Departed

In rembrance of those who have departed this life as followers of Christ.

Watauga— 2, No names.

Boone's Fork— Rev. E. M. Gragg.

Grandmother Gap— Madison Gragg.

Mt. Ephraim— Mrs. Polly Wheeler.

Mt. Vernon— Mr. O. M. Story, Robert Critcher.

New Hopewell— 2, No names.

Rock View— Alfonzo Watson.

Laurel Fork— Virginia Ray, Jane Underwood, Mr. Jesse Triplett.

We loved these people as our brothers and sisters in Christ. Our loss we hope is heaven's gain.

R. L. Barnes, J. A. Hollifield, Com.

Report on Resolutions was read by N. L. Harrison and received. Spoken to by N. L. Harrison and G. M. Watson and adopted.

RESOLUTIONS

We the committee on Resolutions wish to extend our sincere thanks to the Moderator and Clerk for their efficient service for this session of the Stony Fork association, and especially to the church of Mountain View do we wish to extend our heartfelt thanks for the interesting way and manner in which they have cared for the delegates and officers. More generous hospitality has never been shown by any people at any previous session of this association. We earnestly pray God's blessings upon each one.

Virgil Greer, N. L. Harrison, Com.

Report on Nominations was read by A. L. Harrison. Report received and adopted.

NOMINATIONS

The committee on Nominations presents N. L. Harrison as Messenger to Baptist State Convention, and G. W. Gragg as Correspondent to Three Forks association.

G. W. Brown, G. D. Watson, Com.

A move prevailed that a committee be appointed to visit Hopkins Chapel church and report to the Association at its next session.

Rev. W. D. Ashley and N. L. Harrison were appointed.

Moved that N. L. Harrison be elected as associational Sunday school Superintendent.

Moved that Rev. R. L. Barnes be appointed as associational Missionary for the next associational year.

A move was in effect to appoint an Executive Committee.

Eubert Teague, G. W. Gragg and S. C. Ford were appoited.

Eubert Teague Chairman.

A move was in effect that Sister Rena Cook be appointed President of Woman's Work and Dorthy Teague Sec. & Treasurer, associationally.

This brought to a close one of the best sessions of the Stony Fork Association in its history. Closing remarks by B. F. Wilcox.

A song, Our Meeting is Over, and a general handshake.

Benediction by R. D. Covington.

B. F. Wilcox, Mod.
G. M. Watson, Clerk.

CLERK'S NOTE— The Financial Tables may not be accurate, due to the church clerks' failures of giving the proper information.

Let me insist that each church clerk or treasurer have all data and make your letters with care.

Committees to Report in 1938

Woman's Work ..... Mrs. Rena Cook
Religious Literature..... Roy Keller
Benevolences ..... J. A. Hollifield
Religious Training..... Carl Triplett
Sunday Schools..... Lee J. Church
Missions..... G. M. Watson
Temperance..... Virgil Cox
Duties of Pastors and Churches..... W. D. Ashley
Resolutions..... O. M. Greene
Finance..... Eubert Teague.

We are expecting all these reports to be prepared and brought or sent to the association.

Ordained Ministers Who Are Pastors

W. D. Ashley	Blowing Rock
Levi Greene	Deep Gap
E. M. Harman	Vilas
L. P. Haas	Granite Falls, N.C.
Orvil Ikard	" "
R. C. Eggers	Zionville
W. J. Cook	Boone
Vilas Minton	Sugar Grove
B. L. Minton	Congo
G. M. Watson	Boone
H. H. Smith	Deep Gap
R. H. Shore	Blowing Rock

ORDAINED MINISTERS NOT PASTORS

R. L. Barnes,	Boone	G. W. Brown,	Boone
A. M. Brown	"	Carl Triplett,	Blowing Rock
James Greene	Stony Fork	Wm. Gilley,	"
Ed Robbins	Blowing Rock	B. F. Wilcox,	Shulls Mills
J. C. Mann	Banners Elk		

Name of Minister who died this year, E. M. Gragg, Shulls Mills.

TABLE II. SUNDAY SCHOOLS Stony Fork Baptist Association to Sept 1, 1937

CHURCHES	SUPERINDENTS & P.O.	Beginners 3—5 Years	Primaries 6—8 Years	Juniors 9—12 Years	Intermediates 13—16 Years	Young People 17—24 Years	Adults 25 Years, Up	Cradle Roll Under 3 Yrs	Officers and Teachers	Total Enrollment	Average Attendance	Is School Graded?	Teachers holding Diplomas	Baptisms from School	Vacation Bible School Enrollment in Bible School	Average Attendance	Local Contributions	For Missions	Total Contributions by S.S
Boones Fork	Milton Coffey, Shulls Mills	.....	4	6	9	4	23	3	6	49	29	no	0	..	1	32	25	.....•.....	..•.....	12.27
Doe Ridge	Kenneth Brown, Boone	4	5	2	3		9		4	27	16	no	0		1	45	27			1.93
GrandmotherGp	Spencer Gragg, Linville	4	4	5	4		9	2	4	38	29	no	0		1					1.93
Laurel Fork	S. C. Ford, Blowing Rock	11	14	12	11	33	24		10	115	45		2					18.67	1.55	20.22
Middle Cane	No school																			
Mt. Ephraim	Virgil Greer, Triplett	9	6	8	10	10	15		6	64										
Mt. Paran	G. D. Watson, Deep Gap						25	2	3	27								.20		.20
Mt. Vernon	Roy Keller, Blowing Rock	12	22	26	23	25	28		17	146	105	yes		1	57	32	67.10	9.60	76.20
Mountain View.	Theodore Hendrix, Stony Frk	6	5	6	10	9	7	7	6	56		yes					3.40		3.40
New Hopewell	Dewey Coffey, Gragg	5	14	0	21	39	42		5	126	30	no	2	1	27	13	15.00		15.00
Rock Springs	Mrs. R. C. Woods, Darby									65							.70		.70
Rock View	Mrs. J. F. Robbins, Triplett								4	60		yes		1	50	30	.70		.70
Sandy Flats	Eubert Teague, B. Rock	17	10	11	10	10	27		8	93	49	yes	1	1	12	20	36.06		36.06
Watauga	Troy Townsend, Banners Elk	6	7	15	30	20	18	10	8	125		yes		1	62	90	36.11		36.11
Yellow Hill	..																			

G. M. Watson Clerk Stony Fork Association, Boone, N. C.

B. F. Wilcox Moderator " " Shulls Mills, N. C.

TABLE I. Church Membership Stony Fork Asso. to Sept 1, 1937.

CHURCHES	Constituted	PASTORS & P. O.	Days of Meeting	Members Last Year	Baptisms	Received By Letter	Restoration	Lost By Letter	Exclusions	Erasures	Deaths	Total Prsent Membership	Weekly Prayer Meetings	Revivals During the Year	Observed the Lord's Supper
Boones Fork	1871	Levi Greene, Deep Gap	4	106	..	1	..	6	.....	4	1	96	yes	1	2
Doe Ridge	1894	E. M. Harmon, Vilas	2	20								20	no	1	
GrandmotherGp	1932	L. P. Haas, GraniteFalls	1	23	1		1				1	24	no	1	1
Laurel Fork	1855	W. J. Cook, Boone	1	133		4				1	3	132	no	1	1
Middle Cane	1884	G. M. Watson, Boone	3	34					1	2		31	no	1	1
Mt. Ephraim	.....	Vilas Minton, Sug. Grove	1		3	2	2	1	1		1	176	no	1	2
Mt. Paran	1880	B. L. Minton, Congo	1	37					6			31	no	1	1
Mt. Vernon	1866	R. C. Fggers, Zionville	4	185		1	1	7	3		2	175	no	1	2
Mountain View.	1910	B. L. Minton, Congo	4	70	8	5		2				83	no	1	1
New Hopewell	1872	Orvil Ikard, Granite F's	1	85	2			2		9	2	72	no	1	1
Rock Springs	1891	H. H. Smith, Deep Gap	4	29	7			1	1			34	no	1	1
Rock View	1923	G. M. Watson, Boone	4	60	4						1	63	no	1	1
Sandy Flats	1928	R. H. Shore B. Rock	3	79	1	2		5				77	yes	1	2
Watauga	1884	W. J. Cook, Boone	2		7		3				2	169	yes	1	2
Yellow Hill	1850														

G. M. Watson Clerk Stony Fork Association, Boone, N. C.
B. F. Wilcox Moderator " " Shulls Mills, N. C. All these Churches are Located in the Country

TABLE III. Church Property Stony Fork Asso. Sept. 1, 1937.

CHURCHES	CH. CLERKS & P.O.	Own House of Worship?	When was it Built?	Material used	No. Persons Seated	Number of Rooms	Department Assembly Rooms	Value Church Property	
Boones Fork	J. A. Hollifield, Shulls Mills	yes	1871	wood	200	1	.....	$1000	$1000
Doe Ridge	Alice Brown, Boone	yes	1894	wood	100	1		150	150
GrandmotherGp	Roosevelt Gragg, Linville	yes	1920	wood	100	1		400	400
Laurel Fork	J. G. Storie, Blowing Rock	yes	1922	wood	300	1	8		
Middle Cane	V. W. Carroll, Darby	yes	1924	wood	50	1		1000	1000
Mt. Ephraim	Brady Cox, Triplett	yes	1936	wood	300	1		1200	1200
Mt. Paran	Rousau Watson, Deep Gap	yes	1880	wood	200	1			
Mt. Vernon	Minnie Day, Blowing Rock	yes	1894	wood	500	1		2000	2000
Mountain View	O. M. Greene, Stony Fork	yes	1910	wood	300	1		1000	1000
New Hopewell	L. E. Gragg, Gragg	½int	1914	wood	100	1		250	250
Rock Springs	J. T. Woods, Darby	yes	.....	wood	100	1		500	500
Rock View	Walter Eller, Triplett	yes	1923	wood	200	1		1000	1000
Sandy Flats	S. T. Icenhour, B. Rock	no	1906	wood	200	2			
Watauga	Ted Townsend, Banners Elk	yes	1921	wood	400	1	4	3000	3000
Yellow Hill									

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TABLE IV. Local Church Contributions Stony Fork Asso. to Sept 1, 1937.

CHURCHES	TREASURERS & P. O.	Pastor's Salary	Other Salaries	Ministerial Help	Building & Repairs	Incidentals	Literature for S.S. BYPU and W.M.S.	Help given to Poor	Minutes & Clerk	Other Objects	TOTAL, Local ex.
Boones Fork	J. A. Hollifield, Shulls Mills	48.21	.....	15.99	.....	.....	12.27	3.10	2.00	.....	98.99
Doe Ridge	Alice Brown, Boone	1.80	1.05						1.00		3.85
GrandmotherGp	Callie Holdner, Linville	37.62	.25	4.54					.60	1.72	44.13
Laurel Fork	Connie Storie, B. Rock	65.95	44.05	10.00	32.62	17.15	18.67		3.01		191.45
Middle Cane		30.00						25.50	1.50		57.00
Mt. Ephraim	C. T. Simons, Triplett	86.24					10.08	29.70	3.00	8.89	137.91
Mt. Paran	Rosco Greene, Deep Gap	28.97							1.25	2.00	32.22
Mt. Vernon	F. L. Hampton, B. Rock	231.07	346.70	22.75	87.95	57.60	67.10		5.00		1212.17
Mountain View.	George Algood, Stony Fork	87.95		12.95	50.00				2.00		156.30
New Hopewell	L. E. Gragg. Gragg, N.C.	46.62		16.00		7.00	15.00		1.00		85.62
Rock Springs		40.00		10.00					1.00		51.00
Rock View	J. F. Robbins, Triplett	30.00		10.00	5.00				1.50	3.00	49.50
Sandy Flats	Mrs. S.T.Icenhour, B. Rock	50.15		7.00	5.30	27.90	15.36		2.00	5.00	112.71
Watauga	Troy Townsend, Banners Elk	56.98	59.02						2.50		118.50
Yellow Hill									1.00		

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TABLE V. Contributions for Missions, Benevolences etc. Stony Fork Asso. 1937

CHURCHES | TREASURERS & P. O.	Co-operative Prog.	Associational Missions	State Missions	Orphanage	Hospitals	Old Ministers	Other Gifts	Total for Missions etc.	GRAND TOTAL
Boones Fork....J. A. Hollifield, Shulls Mills	.....	1.70	.....	6.60	3.50	.....	5.62	17.42	116.41
Doe Ridge.....Alice Brown, Boone				.70					4.55
GrandmotherGp.Callie Holdner, Linville									44.13
Laurel Fork.....Connie Storie, B. Rock	.50		1.55	38.20	3.80				235.50
Middle Cane.....									57.00
Mt. Ephraim....C. T. Simons, Triplett									137.91
Mt. Paran .....Rosco Greene, Deep Gap									32.22
Mt. Vernon.....F. L. Hampton, B. Rock		9.74	25.25	267.03	15.10	3.84	25.74		1558.87
Mountain View.George Algood, Stony Fork					3.40				159.70
New Hopewell..L. E. Gragg. Gragg, N.C.									85.62
Rock Springs....									51.00
Rock View.....J. F. Robbins, Triplett							3.00		52.50
Sandy Flats.....Mrs. S.T.Icenhour, B. Rock				25.00	4.00				141.71
Watauga .....Troy Townsend, Banners Elk				22.91					141.41
Yellow Hill.....									1.00

Mt. Vernon reports one Senior B.Y.P.U. 28 adults enrolled, 20 Daily Bible Readers, 11 Systematic Givers.

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B. F. Wilcox Moderator " " Shulls Mills, N. C.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

9:00— 9:30	Organization.
9:30 —10:00	Invitation to churches wishing to join the Stony Fork Association and to Correspondents and Visitors.
10:00—10:30	Handing in Associational Letters and Election of Officers.
10:30—11:00	Religious Literature
11:00—12:00	Annual Sermon
12:00— 1:00	Lunch
1:00— 1:15	Devotion
1:15— 2:00	Benevolences
2:00— 2:15	Finance
2:15— 2:30	Place and Preacher
2:30— 2:45	Treasurer's Report
2:45— 3:50	Religious Training

Wednesday Morning

9:00— 9:15	Devotion
9:15—10:00	Sunday Schools
10:00—11:00	Missions
11:00—11:30	Temperance
11:30—12:00	General Discussion
12:00— 1:00	Lunch
1:00— 1:15	Devotion
1:15— 2:00	Duties of Pastors and Churches.

F. L. Hampton
Blowing Rock
N. C.

1866 MINUTES 1938

OF THE

Seventy-Seventh Annual Session

Stony Fork
BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

— HELD WITH —

THE WATAUGA BAPTIST CHURCH

SEPT. 13 AND 14th 1938

OFFICERS:

CARL TRIPLET, Moderator, . . . Blowing Rock
F. L. HAMPTON, Clerk, ... Blowing Rock

Next session to be held with Laurel Fork Baptist Church.
TIME, Tuesday and Wednesday after the second Sunday in September, 1939.

Directions: Take the Aho road at "Wildwood Nursery", between Blowing Rock and Boone, and follow the gravel road two miles to the Church.

Will H. McGuire's Print, Todd, N. C.

DIRECTORY OF ASSOCIATION

Officers

Carl Triplett, Moderator ..... Blowing Rock, N. C.
F. L. Hampton, Clerk & Treasurer ..... Blowing Rock, N. C.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

G. W. Gragg, Ch. ..... Rt., 1, Boone N. C.
W. D. Ashley, ... Blowing Rock, N. C.
J. A. Hollifield, ... Blowing Rock, N. C.

STANDING COMMITTEES

Sunday Schools—N. L. Harrison.
Missions—W. D. Ashley.
Benevolences—W. M. Brown.
Duties of Pastors to Churches—G. M. Watson, Theo. Hendrix.
Religious Training—Hayden Fox.
Religious Literature—E. D. Hollifield.
Woman's Work—Mrs Mead Jestes.
Resolutions—W. J. Cook.
Temperance—Roscoe Greene.

Program for 1939

9:30 to 10:00	Devotion, B. F. Wilcox
10:00 to 11:00	Organization, Appointment of Committees and Handing in Letters.
11:00 to 12:00	Annual Sermon.
12:00 to 1:00	P. M. Lunch.
1:00 to 1:30	Devotion and Sunday Schools.
1:30 to 2:30	Missions.
2:30 to 3:30	Benevolence.
3:30 to 4:00	Miscellaneous.
7:30	To be supplied.

WEDNESDAY

9:30 to 10:00	Devotional, R. L. Barnes.
10:00 to 10:30	Reading of Minutes.
10:30 to 11:30	Duties of Pastors to Churches.
11:30 to 12:00	Religious Training.
12:00 M. to 1.00 P.M.	Lunch.
1:00 to 1:30	Devotion and Religious Literature.
1:30 to 2:00	Woman's Work.
2:00 to 3:00	Temperance.
3:00 to 4:00	Resolutions and Business.

Ordained Ministers

Ashley, W. D.	Blowing Rock, N.C.
Barnes, R. L	Boone, N.C.
Brown, A. M.	Boone, N.C.
Brown, G. W.	Boone, N.C.
Church, J. W.	Summit, N.C.
Cook, W. J.	Boone, N.C.
Gilley, W. M.	Boone, N.C.
Greene, J. E.	Stony Fork, N.C.
Greer, R. G.	Brownwood, N.C.
Greene, Roscoe	Deep Gap, N.C.
Mann, J. C.	No P. O. given
Robbins, E. D.	Blowing Rock, N.C.
Triplett, Carl	Blowing Rock, N.C.
Watson, G. M.	Boone, N.C.
Wilcox, B. F.	Blowing Rock, N.C.
Wilcox, J. H.	Summit, N.C.

LICENSED MINISTERS

Brown, W. M.	Blowing Rock, N.C.
Church, Lee J.	Summit, N.C.
Hendrix, Theo.	Stony Fork, N.C.
Triplett, Bynum	Stony Fork, O.C.

Roll of Messengers

Boones Fork—J. A. & E. H. Hollifield and W. L. Coffey.

Doe Ridge—Kenneth Brown and Russell Greene.

Grandmother's Gap—Roosevelt Gragg, Spencer Gragg and Mary Gragg.

Hopkins Chapel—Virgil Gragg.

Laurel Fork—Carl Triplett, Jasper Triplett and Ingle Ford.

Middle Cane—Not represented.

Mt. View—Theo Hendrix.

Mt. Ephraim—Don Hayes and Mansfield Miller.

Mt Paron—Roscoe Greene, Rousseau Watson and Levi Watson

Mt Vernon—R. H. Vannoy, Bill Brown & F. L. Hompton.

New Hopewell—Mr. & Mrs. W. F. Henderson and I. W. Coffey.

Rock View—Not represented.

Rock Springs—Not represented.

Sandy Flat—S. T. Icenhour.

Watauga—Joe Fox, Mead Jestes and Burgin Gragg

Yellow Hill—H L Beshears and J H Wilcox.

PROCEEDINGS

Of the Seventy-Seventh Annual Session of the Stony Fork Baptist Association, held with the Watauga Baptist Church, on Tuesday and Wednesday Sept. 13 and 14, 1938.

After singing "Sweet Bye and Bye," B. F. Wilcox read the 84 Psalm, and prayer was led by G. M. Watson.

Song, "Nothing But the Blood of Jesus."

The association was called to order by the Moderator, and adopted the present order of business.

Extended an invitation for membership of new churches, with no response. Invited correspondents and visitors to seats in the association, acknowledged the following: C. C. Greene, D. M. Edmisten, Vilas Minton and Edgar Minton from Three Forks association, W. B. Bryant and Carl Roberts of Caldwell association, C. C. McKoin from the Mills Home

The letters from the various churches were handed in and referred to a committee on Digest of Letters, N. L. Harrison and J. A. Hollifield Committee.

The term for the present officers having now expired, the association appointed C. C. McKoin and W. J. Cook to act as tellers during the election of new officers.

Upon counting the votes, the following officers were reported elected— Carl Triplett Moderator, F. L. Hampton, Clerk & Treas.

While the vote was being counted. the choir sang "Down at The Cross."

The assoiation, through the Moderator and Clerk, appointed committees to prepare reports on the following subjects:—

Place and Preacher : A. L. Triplett and H. L. Beshears, Com.

Religious Literature : N. L. Harrison and E. H. Hollifield, Com.

The association was led in prayer by Carl Roberts, then the congregation sang "Beautiful Home."

The hour for the annual sermon having arrived, W. D. Ashley read Isa. 28 and selected for his subject: "For the bed is shorter than that a man can stretch himself on it; and the covering narrower than that a man can wrap himself in it", and brought a most helpful message to the people.

The report on "Woman's Work" Was called for but was n o t present.

The report on "Missions" was taken up and was read by G. M. Watson and was discussed by G. M. Watson, J. C. Pipes and Clayton Greene. Report adopted.

REPORT ON MISSIONS

Missions is a most important question. We believe deeply in missions because our Lord was a missionary first, and taught the same. We should love the cause of our Lord, and souls of humanity, so much that we should endeavor to do our best, that others may hear the gospel truths and become acquaited with our Saviour.

Go ye, or send ye, the gospel to all people, beginning at home, then lengthening out until His truths have filled all the earth. Every child of God should have a part in sending the gospel to all nations So if we are not prepared to go ourselves, for the cause of our Lord and the on-going of His kingdom, and for the saving of souls, help others to go, by contributions of your means.

G. M. Watson, Com.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Devotional exercises were begun by singing "How Firm a Foundation" and W. M. Brown read Gal. 5. Prayer was led by W. M. Brown. The association was called to order by the Moderator. for the transacting of business.

The report on Benevolences was read by J. A. Hollifield and discussed by N. L. Harrison and C. C. McKoin, and was adopted.

BENEVOLENCES

Orphanage, Hospitals, and Old Ministers' Relief, are the divisions of benevolent work, all of which challenge the best that is within us

Nothing offers a better oportunity for service than the healing of the sick through our contributions, and to care for our old ministers, and especially to help an orphan child.

We recommend we all accept the challenge.

N. L. Harrison, J. A. Hollifield, Com.

At this time the Moderator asks that every one present join in singing "Twilight is Stealing."

The Report of the Treasurer was read by G. M. Watson and adopted.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Received for Minutes and Clerk Hire -		$28.36
Paid the Printer -	$20.00	
Allowed the Clerk -	10.00	
Mailing Minutes -	.50	
Due Clerk - - -		2.14
	$30.50	$30.50

G. M. Watson, Com.

The report on "Religious Training" was read by D. M. Edmisten

and was discussed by W. D. Ashley, Carl Triplett, Dwight Edmisten, G. M. Watson, W.M Brown and R. H Shore. Report adopted.

RELIGIOUS TRAINING

Matt. 28: 19, 20. Go ye therefore and teach all nations; Teaching then to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you.

Too often we baptize into the fellowship of our churches, young converts and give them the right hand of full fellowship, as we call it, and it is the right hand of good bye. We turn them loose as good as to say, if you can live, all right, go to it; if not, go on to the devil. I find that our young people are anxious to do things if our preachers and leaders would give them a chance.

As the Bible speaks, "Why stand ye all the day idle? No man hath hired us." 2 Tim 2: 15 Study to show thyself approved unto God a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth. The training work of the church should inspire workers to desire the best in religious training.

Our Baptist people have provided colleges and seminaries for our young people to develop their talents, and knowledge for God Our greatest need is to have more young people trained so that they may understand better how to carry on the Kingdom work. Therefore we suggest that our churches carry on religious training, such as B.Y.P.U., W.M.S and other organizations.

Carl Triplett, Com.

The association stood adjourned to meet at 9: 30 a. m. Wednesday. Benediction by G. M. Watson.

Second Day

Wednesday, September 14, 1938, 9: 30 a. m.

Religious services were begun by singing "Angel Band".

Scripture was read by Roscoe Greene, from Gen. 8. Prayer led by W. D. Ashley.

The report on "Religious Literature" was read by N. L. Harrison and was discussed by W. D. Ashley, N. L Harrison, J C. Mann Mead Jestes, G. W. Rowe and G. M. Watson. The report adopted.

RELIGIOUS LITERATURE

First, last and all the time, we recommend the diligent and close study of the Bible. There are many helps to Bible study you may wisely use. Our Baptist Board have helps to Bible study in Sunday school, and helps for teachers and superintendents. Periodicals such as Charity and Children, Biblical Recorder, all of which are helpful. But all the time let's see to it that the Bible be our guide, and all other helps must be in accord with Bible teachings.

N. L Harrison, E H Hollifield, Com.

At this time Mr. & Mrs. Z. T. Greene from Three Forks association were recognized and welcomed.

The report on "Place and Preacher" was read by the clerk. Report adopted

We the committee on Place and Preacher recommend that the next session of the Stony Fork Baptist Association meet with Laurel Fork church Tuesday and Wednesday after the second Sunday in September 1939. We recommend that W. J. Cook preach the annual sermon, W. M. Brown, alternate.

A. L. Triplett, H. L. Beshears, Com.

The report on Sunday schools was read by W. M. Brown, and was discussed by W. M. Brown, W. D. Ashley, N. L. Harrison, Miss Ellen Daniel and others. Report adopted.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS

As a teaching agency, we recommend Sunday schools in all of the churches. Effective preaching is not obtained in any church which does not expound the gospel by means of teaching. Aside from the homes there is nothing more beneficial to help the young to be more efficiently prepared for their pilgrimage in this life, than what they may obtain at Sunday school.

Christ gives a chllenge to Sunday school teachers, to teach every nation to observe all things which are just and holy. May we then as brothers and sisters in Christ Jesus, pray for our Sunday schools.

Bill Brown, Com

The report on "Woman's Work" was read by W. M. Brown and was most wonderfully discussed by Miss Ellen Daniel and Mrs Etta Gragg. Report adopted.

WOMAN'S WORK

"Can two walk together, except they be agreed?"— Amos 3: 3, and how can our churches reach the lost and send out workers and support the cause, even "to the uttermost part", except our people be united in their efforts?

I feel that our women cannot afford to any longer neglect the gracious opportunity of coming together in a common effort to fling the bounds of our Lord's Kingdom to the remotest corners of the world. So many of us are like Martha, "careful and troubled about many things", and neglect to claim the special blessing of Him. Martha's task must be done, but not to the exclusion of fellowship with the Master of all good workmen. So the "Woman's Work" gives special attention to the study of the Bible, that we may know the Missionary message of the Bible, and His will for us. Next it reaches out to the children around it, and teaches them the word,

that they may be prepared to do God's will when He speaks to them. Most of us cannot go out to carry the gospel to other lands, or even other parts of the homelands, so the "Woman's Work" has opened the way for us to do that at home. First, we can go through prayer; pray for our missionaries, pray for laborers to be thrust forth into the harvest, and pray for the lost. Second, we can go by winning souls about us, that our Lord might have more servants to go and to send and to spread His Kingdom. Third, we can go through our offerings. "How shall we escape if we neglect so great a salvation?" Even if we have salvation for our own souls, how can we refuse to do any work that would bring salvation to others? These who have begun this work would not drop it for worlds, because of the blessing it has brought. Let us lift up our hearts to God in prayer that we may be true laborers together with Him, and thru our organized Woman's Missionary Society give our blessed Christ to the rest of the world.

Mrs. Lena Cook, Com.

The report on "Duties of Pastors and Churches,, was read by W. D. Ashley, and was discussed by W. D. Ashley, G. W. Gragg and F. L Hampton. The report was adopted

DUTIES OF PASTORS AND CHURCHES

Pastors should be God called men, sound in the Faith, and apt to teach, an example of the believers, in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith and purity, Should give attendance to reading, to exhortation, to doctrine Paul said in 1st Tim. 4th ch. "If thou put the brethren in remembrance of these things, thou shalt be a good minister of Jesus Christ."

The Church is the body of Christ, it should be kept clean, should have a passion for lost souls, at home and abroad; for the sick and all objects of charity. The deep emotion of the soul should move each of us to give (as God has prospered us) of our means, that the Church may grow and prosper. It is the duty of the church to stand firm for the faith once delivered to the saints.

W. D. Ashley, Com.

G. M. Watson read the report on Finance, and in his discussion, brought some valuable facts to light, which if the churches would heed to, would mean much to our progress in our associational work.

I heartily indorse what you said, Mr. Watson, by taking this opportunity to advise the churches in this association, to get behind your Church Clerks and help them get their letters to the association in a more complete way.

F. L Hampton.

REPORT ON FINANCE

Boone's Fork	$2.00	Mt. Paron	$ 1.35
Doe Ridge	1.00	Mt. Vernon	8.39
Grandmother's Gap	.80	New Hopewell	.70
Hopkins Chapel	.20	Rock View	.50
Laurel Fork	3.05	Rock Springs	1.00
Middle Cane	1.50	Sandy Flat	2.05
Mt. View	2.05	Watauga	2.50
Mt. Ephraim	3.00	Yellow Hill	1.00
	13.60		17.49
		Total,	$31.09

We the Finance committee allowed the Clerk $10.00 for service, and he superintend the printing and distributing of the minutes.

The association was due the former clerk $2.14 and on motion of G. W. Gragg, a collection was taken and the amount paid.

R. H. Vannoy, G. M. Watson, Com.

After singing "Amazing Grace, the association stood adjourned till 1:00 P. M.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

After enjoying a most delightful lunch, the association was called together by singing "How Firm a Foundation." J. F. Hendrix read from Matt 23. Prayer was led by G. M. Watson.

The report on Resolutions was read by G. W. Gragg and spoken to by N. L. Harrison, G. W. Gragg, F. L. Hampton, and W. D. Ashley. Report adopted.

REPORT ON RESOLUTIONS

We, the committee, wish to extend our sincere thanks to the Moderator and Clerk for their efficient service for this session of the Stony Fork Baptist Association, and especially to the church of Watauga, do we wish to extend our heart felt thanks for the way and manner in which they have cared for the delegates and officers.

Most generous hospitality has been shown us. We earnestly pray God's blessings upon you all

G. W. Gragg, W. J. Cook, Com.

The Moderator and Clerk were given power by the association to appoint the Executive Committee, and the following were appointed: G. W. Gragg, W. D. Ashley, and J. A. Hollifield.

The report on Temperance was read by W. M. Brown, and thoroughly discussed by the following speakers: W. D. Ashley, Z. T. Greene and Carl Triplett. Report adopted.

TEMPERANCE

"Woe unto them that rise up early in the morning, that they may

follow strong drink; that continue until night, till wine inflame them; and the musical instruments and wine are in their feasts; therefore my people are gone into captivity, because they have no knowledge, and our honorable men are famished; therefore hell hath enlarged herself, and opened her mouth without measure; and they shall descend into it." Knowing that we are existing under the same conditions, we are persuaded that the minds of the people are determined to abolish this evil. We appeal to the General Assembly for a law whereby we may force strong drink out of our State and nation.

W. D. Ashley, G. W. Gragg, Com.

The report on Digest of Letters was read by N. L. Harrison, and adopted.

DIGEST OF LETTERS

Baptisms this year Total	227
Gain this year,	231
Church Membership this year,	1534
Enrolled in S. S. last year 991, this year,	1396
There are two Training Unions, one W.M.S. and one Sunbeam.	
Paid Pastors this year, Total,	1,161.29
Paid to all Local Church Expenses, including Pastors' Salaries,	3,189.27
Denominational Contributions, all,	$606.38
Gifts to all Causes, all Total,	3,795.65
Present Value of Church Property,	$13,100.00

N. L. Harrison, J. A. Hollifield, Com.

The association appointed N. L. Harrison Associational Sunday School Superintendent, and J. T. Hendrix, Kenneth Brown and Mrs. Della Cox, assistants.

W. M. Brown was appointed Associational Missionary for the Stony Fork Baptist Association.

The time having arrived for adjournment.

With hearts lifted in song, and an old time handshaking the Stony Fork Baptist Association closed its Seventy Seventh Annual Session, with benediction by G. W. Rowe.

TABLE I. Church Membership Etc. Stony Fork Baptist Association, Aug. 1938

CHRCHES	Constituted	PASTORS & P. O.	Days of Meeting	Members Last Year	Rec'd By Baptism	By Letter	Statements	Restorations	Letters	Exclusions	Erasures	Deaths	Total Present Membership	Weekly Prayer Meetings	Revivals During the Year	Observed the Lord's Supper	State Baptist Paper Taken
Boone's Fork	1871	Levi Greene, Deep Gap, N.C.	4	95	1	1	..	..	1	17	..	..	79	.....	1	2	.
Doe Ridge	1894	Ramond Hendrix, Boone	3	20	11	3					3		31		1	1	
Grandmother's Gap	1932	L. B. Bean, Mortimer	4	24									24		1	2	
Hopkins Chapel	1917	W. H. Byerly, Lenoir	2-4	24								1	23		2		
Laurel Fork	1855	W. J. Cook, Boone	1	131	14	2			2		3	1	141		1	1	1
Middle Cane	1911	H. H. Smith, Deep Gap	3	32	1								33				
Mt. View	1910	B. L. Minton, Congo	4	83	12		3		1			1	96	yes		1	
Mt. Ephraim	1876	Vilas Minton, Vilas	1	176	4							1	179	yes		1	1
Mt. Paron	1886	B. L. Minton, Congo		37	3	5			1			1	43				
Mt. Vernon	1866	R. C. Eggers, Zionville	2-4	175	62	4	5	2	6		2	1	239	yes	1	2	3
New Hopewell	1870	Levi Greene, Deep Gap	4	72	6			3	4	2	5	2	68	yes	1		
Rock View	1923	G. M. Watson, Boone	4	63	4				1				66		1	1	
Rock Springs	1891	Ramond Hendrix, Boone	4	34	5	1	1	1				2	40	yes	1		
Sandy Flat	1928	R. H. Shore, Blowing Rock	3	77	3	2			3		2		77	yes	1	2	1
Watauga	1844	W. J. Cook, Boone	2	169	54	2		3	3			1	224		1	2	
Yellow Hill	1850	H. H. Smith, Deep Gap	3	112	51	10		1	1			2	171	yes	2	1	

All these churches are located in the country.

TABLE II. Sunday Schools Stony Fork Baptist Association Aug. 1938

CHURCHES	SUP'T & P. O.	Cradle Roll Under 3 years	Beginners 3-5 Years	Primaries 6-8 Years	Juniors 9-12 Years	Intermediates 13-16 Years	Young People 17-24 Years	Adults 25 Years Up	Officers and Teachers	Total No. Enrollment	Average Attendance	Baptisms From School	Is School Graded?	Teachers Holding Diplomas	Vacation Bible School	Eurollment	Average Attendance
Boone's Fork	Lloyd Coffey, Blowing Rock	4	4	5	4	8	4	23	6	50	20	.....	.....	.....	yes	50	32
Doe Ridge	Kenneth Brown, Boone		6		3	2		7	4	22	11				yes	18	12
Grandmother's Gap	Roosevelt Gragg, Linville		4	5	7	7	2	11		36	30		yes		yes		
Hopkins Chapel	Virgil Gragg, Edgemont		20			10		8	3	41	35		yes		yes	10	8
Laurel Fork	Stacy Ford, Blowing Rock	10	8	10	7	12	13	12	8	80	51			2			
Middle Cane	Not given.														yes	10	10
Mt. View	Ben Triplett, Stony Fork	7		14	7			16	3	48	30		yes	3	yes		6
Mt. Ephraim	Virgil Greer, Triplett		14	8	5	3	12	13	9	55	35				yes	30	25
Mt. Paron	G. D. Watson, Deep Gap								4	40	40				yes	28	28
Mt. Vernon	W. M. Brown, Blowing R'k	40	29	31	29	37	47	32	16	341	206	43	yes	2	yes	82	37
New Hopewell	L. E. Gragg, Gragg	19	8	7	13	19	30	40	6	142	50	6			yes	50	35
Rock View	Lonnie Carlton, Triplett			8	6	6		20	5	45	35						
Rock Springs	J. T. Woods, Darby	15	11	10	14	23	21	52		146	60						
Sandy Flat	Eubert Teague, Blowing R'k		18	6	17	9	11	28	11	100	57	3	yes				
Watauga	Haden Fox, Banner Elk		21	12	18	36	20	24	10	131	100		yes		yes	70	55
Yellow Hill	Lee J. Church, Summit	6	5	11	14	25	24	34	12	119	61		yes		yes	46	15

Mt. Vernon has Mission Sunday School with 96 enrolled.

TABLE III. Church Property Stony Fork Baptist Assoc. Aug. 1938

CHURCHES	CLERKS & POST OFFICES	Own House of Worship?	When was it Built?	Material Used	Persons Seated	Number of Rooms	Value Church Property
Boone's Fork	J. A. Hollifield, Shulls Mills	Yes	1916	Wood	200	1	$1000
Doe Ridge	Alice Brown, Boone	Yes	1894	Wood	100	1	150
Grandmother's Gap	Roosevel Gragg, Linville	Yes	1920	Wood	100	1	400
Hopkins Chapel	Virgil Gragg, Edgemont	Yes	1917	Wood	100	1	450
Laurel Fork	J. G. Storie, Blowing Rock	Yes	1922	Wood	300	1	1800
Middle Cane	J. W. Hendrix, Stony Fork	Yes	1911	Wood	150	1	1000
Mt. View	Olen Greene, Stony Fork	Yes	1910	Wood	300	1	1000
Mt. Ephraim	Brady Cox, Triplett	Yes	1936	Wood	300	1	1400
Mt. Paron	Russeau Watson, Deep Gap	Yes	1880	Wood	200	1	300
Mt. Vernon	Minnie Day, Blowing Rock	Yes	1938	Stone	500		
New Hopewell	L. E. Gragg, Gragg	Yes	1912	Wood	100	1	300
Rock View	Lonnie Carlton, Triplett	Yes	1923	Wood	150	1	1000
Rock Springs	J. T. Woods, Darby	Yes	1891	Wood	300	1	300
Sandy Flat	S. T. Icenhour, Blowing Rock	No	1906	Wood	200	2	
Watauga	Ted Townsend, Banner Elk	Yes	1921	Wood	400	1	3000
Yellow Hill	W. C. Church, Summit	Yes	1907	Wood	400	1	1000

F. L. Hampton Clerk of Stony Fork Baptist Association Blowing Rock, N.C.
Carl Triplett Moderator " " " "

TABLE IV. Financial, Stony Fork Baptist Association, Aug. 1938.

CHURCHES	Pastor's Salary	Orphanage	Ministerial Help	Building & Repairs	Hospital	Incidentals	Literature for S.S. BYPU and W.M.S.	Help given to Poor	Minutes & Clerk	Other Objects	General Missions
Boone's Fork	67.13	73.45	14.69	.....	.....	.....	7.26	7.20	2.00	.....	8.20
Doe Ridge	9.93		3.93						1.00	2.60	
Grandmother's Gap	13.45		6.31						.80	2.62	
Hopkins Chapel	8.06			.90					.20		
Laurel Fork	93.60	41.71	26.00	9.50	3.14	33.25	26.90		3.05		4.23
Middle Cane	55.20							.25	1.50		
Mt. View	108.42		18.60	41.14	15.92	4.00	7.90	5.14	2.05		
Mt. Ephraim	116.16		32.39	70.00	3.00	12.00		75.79	3.00		
Mt. Paron	51.39				2.09	4.00	23.00		1.35	2.00	
Mt. Vernon	255.91	259.45	46.21	1129.34	6.66	41.00	57.91	8.48	8.39	25.09	20.70
New Hopewell	28.93		1.50		1.50				.70	1.00	
Rock View	60.00	.50	10.00	3.00			1.50		.50	5.00	
Rock Springs	24.00	2.50		4.00			1.50		1.00		
Sandy Flat	71.21	7.00	23.00		2.70	25.00	25.62		2.05		
Watauga	113.55	16.80		102.71	5.00		24.57	6.30	2.50		10.87
Yellow Hill	84.35		12.50	1.80		75.18	47.80		1.00		12.84

F. L. Hampton Clerk of Stony Fork Baptist Association Blowing Rock, N.C.
Carl Triplett Moderator " " " "

Church Treasurers

There was not space in the Finance Table for these.

Boone's Fork.... J. A. Hollifield' Shulls Mills
Doe Ridge..... Alice Brown, Boone
Grandmother's Gap... Not given
Hopkins Chapel Not given
Laurel Fork..... Carnie Storie, Blowing Rock
Middle Cane..... Alice M. Hodges, Darby
Mt. View..... G. W. Algood, Stony Fork
Mt. Ephraim.... C. T. Simons' Triplett
Mt. Paron..... R. Greene, Deep Gap
Mt. Vernon..... F. L. Hampton, Blowing Rock
New Hopewell.. L. E. Gragg, Gragg
Rock View..... Jeff Hodges, Triplett
Rock Springs.... Ella Hall, Darby
Sandy Flat..... Mrs. S. T. Icenhour, Blowing Rock
Watauga ..... Hayden Fox, Banner Elk
Yellow Hill..... W. C. Church, Summit

OUR DEAD

The following brethren and sisters have died since last association:

Hopkins Chapel— Mrs. Jim Denny
Laurel Fork— Mrs. J. D. Harrison
Mt. Ephraim— Mrs. Nancy Triplett
Mt. Paron— Miss G. Smith
Mt. Vernon— Mr. T. L. Critcher
Mt. View— Mr. J. D. Greene (Deacon)
New Hopewell— Mrs. Minnie Pinion, Lew Fair (col)
Watauga— Mrs. Ralph Lawrance
Yellow Hill— Mrs. Laura Beshears, Mr. John Fletcher.

7. F. Hampton

MINUTES

SEVENTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL SESSION

STONY FORK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

NORTH CAROLINA

LAUREL FORK BAPTIST CHURCH

Blowing Rock, N. C.

SEPTEMBER 12th. and 13th.

1939

The Seventy-Ninth Session to be held September 10th and 11th, 1940 with Bailey Camp Baptist Church, Blowing Rock, N. C. The church is in the country, one mile off 321 Highway, four miles from Blowing Rock, in the direction of Lenoir.

G. M. Watson to preach the Annual Sermon; Theo Hendrix, Alternate.

DIRECTORY

OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION

Carl Triplett, Mod. ---------- Blowing Rock
G. M. Watson, Vice Mod. ---------- Boone
F. L. Hampton, Clerk and Treas. ---------- Blowing Rock
J. G. Storie, Asst. Clerk ---------- Blowing Rock

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

J. G. Storie, Ch. ---------- Blowing Rock
J. H. Henderson ---------- Blowing Rock
G. D. Watson ---------- Deep Gap

LIST OF NOMINATIONS

S. S. Director, N. L. Harrison ---------- Blowing Rock
Asst. Director, Roscoe Greene ---------- Deep Gap
Hayden Fox,---------- Banner Elk
Bill Brown ---------- Blowing Rock
Associational Missionary ---------- W. M. Brown
B. T. U. Director ---------- Mrs. Mead Jestes
W. M. U. Director ---------- Mrs. Rena Cook
Hospital Director ---------- G. M. Watson
Orphanage Director ---------- N. L. Harrison
Cor. to Baptist State Convention ---------- Carl Triplett and N. L. Harrison
Cor. to Three Forks Association ---------- W. J. Cook
Cor. to Avery County Association ---------- J. A. Hollifield
Cor. to Caldwell Association ---------- S. C. Ford
Cor. to Ashe Association ---------- Noah Beshears

STANDING COMMITTEE

Sunday Schools ---------- N. L. Harrison
Missions ---------- Carl Triplett
Benevolences ---------- Hayden Fox
Duties of Pastors and Churches ---------- W. J. Cook
Religious Training ---------- W. M. Brown
Religious Literature ---------- G. M. Watson
Woman's Work ---------- Mrs. Mead Jestes
Resolutions ---------- R. L. Barnes
Temperance ---------- W. D. Ashley

ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR 1940 SESSION

TUESDAY MORNING, SEPT. 10th

9:30-10:00—Devotional _____ W. M. Brown
10:00-11:00—Organization and Appointment of Committees
11:00-12:00—Annual Sermon _____ G. M. Watson
Noon Recess
1:00- 1:30—Devotion And Sunday Schools
1:30- 2:30—Missions
2:30-3:30—Benevolences
3:30- 4:00—Miscellaneous

WEDNESDAY MORNING SEPT. 11th 1940

9:30-10:00—Devotional _____ B. F. Wilson
10:00-10:30—Reading of Minutes
10:30-11:30—Duties of Pastors and Churches
11:30-12:00—Religious Training
Noon Recess
1:00- 1:30—Devotion and Religious Literature
1:30- 2:00—Woman's Work
2:00- 3:00—Temperance
3:00- 4:00—Resolutions, Business and Closing Worship

ORDAINED MINISTERS

Ashley, W. D. _____ Blowing Rock
Brown, A. M. _____ Boone
Barnes, R. L. _____ Boone
Church, J. W. _____ Summit
Cook, W. J. _____ Boone
Gilley, W. M. _____ Boone
Greene, Roscoe _____ Deep Gap
Hendrix, Theo. _____ Stony Fork
Keller, Sam _____ Shulls Mills
Mann, J. C. _____ Banner Elk
Robbins, E. D. _____ Blowing Rock
Triplett, Carl _____ Blowing Rock
Triplett, Ben _____ Stony Fork
Watson, G. M. _____ Boone
Wilcox, B. F. _____ Blowing Rock
Wilcox, J. H. _____ Summit

LICENSED MINISTERS

Brown, W. M. ---------- Blowing Rock
Beshears, Noah ---------- Summit
Church, Lee J. ---------- Summit
Triplett, Bynum ---------- Stony Fork

ROLL OF MESSENGERS

BOONE'S FORK—J. A. Hollifield, H. S. Henderson.

BAILEY CAMP—Lawrence Harmon, Lank Tolbert and Carl Hartley

DOE RIDGE—Kenneth Brown, Donald Miller

GRANDMOTHER GAP—Roosevelt Gragg, Isabella Gragg.

HOPKINS CHAPEL—W. H. Buerly, D. L. Chester.

LAUREL FORK—Filmore Ford, W. S. Triplett and J. G. Storie.

MIDDLE CANE—Not Represented.

MT. VIEW—Theo. Hendrix, Charlie Smith.

MT. EPHRAIM—Elmer Triplett, V. C. Cox.

MT. PARON—G. D. Watson, Annie Watson, Willard Watson

MT. VERNON—Milton Gragg, Jones Elrod, R. H. Hartley.

NEW HOPEWELL—Benson Coffey, Argie Gragg.

ROCK VIEW—C. E. Hodges, B. F. Watson, Lonnie Carlton.

ROCK SPRINGS—Arnie Woods, J. T. Woods.

SANDY FLAT—S. T. Icenhour, A. B. Craig and I. H. Henderson.

WATAUGA—Burgin Gragg, Mead Jestes.

YELLOW HILL—W. C. Church, Noah Beshears and H. L. Beshears.

PROCEEDINGS

of the

SEVENTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL SESSION

of the

STONY FORK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Held With

LAUREL FORK BAPTIST CHURCH

Blowing Rock, N. C.

TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 12-13, 1939

The Session was opened by singing "There Is A Foundation," led by W. J. Cook and followed with prayer by J. T. McGuire. B. F. Wilcox read 1st Peter and offered a short but, helpful comment on it, and led in prayer.

The Moderator Carl Triplett, called the Seventy-Eighth Session, to order for the transaction of business.

The order of business was read by F. L. Hampton, and on motion by Milton Gragg to adopt it with a minor correction, which was approved and adopted.

The Moderator extended an invitation for membership of new churches, and received Bailey Camp Baptist Church, after having been examined on the articles of faith by a committee composed of N. L. Harrison, G. W. Gragg, B. F. Wilcox, and H. L. Beshears.

The Moderator and Clerk having been empowered by the association to make all temporary appointments, the following committee was appointed—"Digest of letters" J. A. Hollifield and N. L. Harrison, Com.

"Time, Place and Preacher" Bill Brown and J. H. Henderson, Com.

The Moderator called for a song and W. J. Cook led the congregation in singing, "Amazing Grace."

A call for the remainder of letters from the different churches of this association be handed in, and sixteen

churches were represented by letter, only one church not represented.

The Moderator recognized the following visitors: J. A. McMillan from Mills Home, J. T. McGuire and Roby Oaks from Three Forks association, Miss Versa Russell from Montgomery association and J. O. Summerlin from the Catawba Association.

J. A. McMillan, a representative from our Baptist Orphanage at Thomasville, N. C., was given time to tell us about how the children were getting along. What they needed most, and what was required of us as individuals, churches and associations.

The Moderator called for a moment of silent prayer and W. M. Brown to conclude.

The time for the Annual Sermon having arrived, W. J. Cook called on J. T. McGuire to lead in prayer, after which W. J. Cook read the following Scriptures, 1st Cor. 2:14-3:10, 11, and 2nd Cor. 8:2. He selected as his subject—"But let every man take heed how he buildeth thereupon," and brought a most helpful and inspiring message. Then the congregation sang, "Beautiful Home" and prayer was offered by Theo. Hendrix which closed the morning session.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

The afternoon session was opened by singing the following hymns—led by W. J. Cook, "It Is Love" and "Farther Along." R. H. Shore led in prayer and J. O. Summerlin read 2nd Peter 1:19 and impressed its meaning upon the hearts of all.

The report on missions was read by the clerk and discussed by J. C. Pipes and B. F. Wilcox, and adopted.

REPORT ON MISSIONS

Report on the plan of New Testament missions, LOVE is the watch word, John, 3, 16, FOR GOD so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life,

Jesus loved us, Rev. 1, 5-6, Unto him that Loved us and wash-

ed us from our sins in His own blood, to Him be glory and dominion forever and ever,

Jesus came to seek and to save sinners from their sins, and to impart to them His love and passion for lost souls,

2, Cor, 5, 11-14, Knowing the terror of the Lord, we persuade men, For the Love of Christ constraineth us,

Paul tells us in first Cor. 13th chapter that by Love we will never fail, that without Love ALL is a failure, though we bestow all our goods, or give our bodies to be burned, it profiteth nothing.

Are we like the deep well, that serves only by hard pumping, or are we like the artesian well, that serves from a heart full, to the overflowing.

Speaking of the Christian virtues, the Apostle Peter says in 2nd Peter 1st chapter 8th verse, if these things be in you and Abound, they make you that ye shall neither be barren nor Unfruitful,

But he that laketh these things is blind, and cannot see afar off, and hath forgotten that he was purged from his old sins.

The first Church at Jerusalem spread the Gospel in the face of imprisonment and Death, Because Love is stronger than Death. What will we do about it?

Respectfully submitted,

W. D. Ashley

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The report on benevolences was called for and handed in, then read by W. M. Brown, and before discussion the Moderator called for a song, and "Precious Memories" was sung, led by G. M. Watson, then the following speakers discussed benevolences G. M. Watson and Carl Triplett and adopted.

BENEVOLENCES

As our Saviour walked by the sea of Galilee teaching, healing and preaching we can still see him at the task in our own country.

When we visit our Baptist hospital in Winston-Salem we may but watch the lone Nazarene as he finds the sick and heals them.

Then we look on our orphanage home at Thomasville and watch our Saviour as he seeks to be a father to the fatherless and a friend to the friendless.

And in the old Ministers Relief we find our Redeemer a friend in need and a friend in deed.

Will we support our Lord in his work.

Respectfully submitted,

William Brown

A messenger's report from the State Convention on S. S.'s was brought by N. L. Harrison and was much enjoyed by all.

Theo Hendrix was appointed to preach at 7:30 P. M.

After singing "Press along To Glory Land" Theo Hendrix offered the closing prayer, and the Association adjourned to meet at 9:30 A. M. Wednesday morning.

SECOND DAY

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13th, 1939, 9:30 A. M.

The Moderator called the Association to order and after singing "Jesus Lover of My Soul," R. L. Barnes read Romans 6:1, 13 and counseled the association to take God into every thing we undertake, and concluded with prayer.

A committee on "Nominations" was appointed, as follows—G. M. Watson, J. G. Storie, Com.

The clerk read the minutes of the previous day, and was approved.

The report on "Duties of Pastors and Churches" was read by G. M. Watson and discussed by Carl Triplett, G. W. Gragg and G. M. Watson. Report adopted.

DUTIES OF PASTORS TO CHURCHES

As a pastor for twenty years I have learned some of the duties of a pastor toward the church which he has been made overseer of. When a pastor fills his regular time and delivers his message to his church any more he thinks his work is over and he must hurry to get to the next place. Let me say here that no pastor should have more than four churches. For there are duties too numerous to mention in this report that demands his attention. He should visit among his members, take time to pray with them, help them to adjust misunderstandings, comfort the bereaved and in a word covering it all (Feed the Flock).

G. M. Watson, Com.
J. T. Hendrix

The report on "Woman's Work" was presented by Mrs. Mead Jestes and accepted. Discussed by Mrs. Mead Jestes, Bertha Day and Mrs. G. W. Gragg, and adopted.

WOMAN'S WORK

"For we are laborers together with God;" 1 Cor. 3:9. God is always with us to help us with our tasks if we are serving Him,

but how can we be laborers together unless we bring our efforts together.

Woman's Missionary Union offers the best way in which Baptist women, the world over, can unite their efforts in Christ, that we have ever known Because it offers a prayer calendar through which all the women can unite their prayers for the same cause. It offers seasons of prayer when we can help our sisters of other lands pray for their objects and they help us pray for ours. Even though we only have a few pennies to give we can put them together and send the great Gospel message of Christ to the remotest places of the earth through the W. M. U. offerings. It offers a great opportunity for study which our women would get no where else. This helps them to better understand their duties and makes them more able to carry on the Master's work. It gives them a better chance to serve the needy of their own community and by so doing win many to Christ that would never be reached other wise. Last but not least, it gives to our children from the cradle up the training that every child should have to grow up in the true knowledge about the Savior and Salvation.

May God help our women to plunge into their work deeper and with a greater interest than ever before.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Mead Jestes

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The Moderator recognized the following visitors, Mrs. Vonnie Taylor and E. T. Landers from the Avery County Association, Harsten Coffey and Earl Tolbert from the Three Forks Association.

The "Report on Sunday Schools" was presented, and read by N. L. Harrison, discussed by N. L. Harrison, Mead Jestes, J. H. Henderson, and others. Report adopted.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS

The aim of our Sunday School in Stony Fork Association is to teach the word of God. There are Sunday Schools in all our churches; but one. The intent of our Sunday Schools is to be Missionary. We recommend that one teaching be Biblical in Regeneration; Baptism consistent with the Doctrines of our denomination and Evangelistic looking to the Salvation of the lost, especially do we wish to heed the command, "Go ye therefore and teach all nations whatsoever Jesus commanded us."

Respectfully submitted,
N. L. Harrison

The report on "Religious Training" was read by Minnie Day and approved. Discussed by Minnie Day, Mead Jestes and Mrs. Vonnie Taylor, and adopted.

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN TRAINING

Under the Law of Moses the Children of Israel were commanded to obey the Law before, and constantly teach the Law to their children. The wise man said "Train up a child in the way it should go and when it is old he will not depart from it." The obligation of teaching and training is no less binding on us today than in olden times.

Since the trend of the times is drifting toward institutional training rather than home training we must provide for it in that way. Even the Christian Schools do not demand the high standard of living as they once did. Hence the burden of responsibility falls more upon the churches. Therefore it devolves upon the churches to make adequate provision for such, and demanded such standards as will prepare the present and rising generation for that more abundant life for which Christ came that we might have.

Minnie Day, Com.

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The Treasurer's Report was read by the Clerk. Report accepted and adopted.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Received from Churches for Minutes and Clerk hire		$31.09
Paid printer	$20.00	
Paid Clerk	10.00	
Paid for postage	.58	
	$30.58	
Bal. on hand		.51

F. L. Hampton, Clerk & Treas.

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The association adjourned for noon recess, prayer and benediction was offered by Earl Tolbert.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

The association was called to order, by singing "Nothing But the Blood of Jesus."

E. F. Landers read John 15: and conducted the devotional, and G. W. Gragg led in prayer.

The report on "Religious Literature" was read by S. C. Ford and accepted, and discussed by S. C. Ford, G. W. Gragg and Earl Tolbert.

RELIGIOUS LITERATURE

1. We recommend first the prayerful and careful study of God's word (The Bible).
2. We recommend Biblical Recorder and Charity and Children as sound religious literature.
3. Be aware of these cheap book peddlers that are filling our homes full of unsound reading that is poisonous to our children's minds.
4. We recommend any and all helps recommended by the Baptist Board as sound doctrine in preference to just any suggestion.

S. C. Ford
G. W. Gragg, Com.

Report adopted.

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The report on "Finance" was read by N. L. Harrison, and accepted. Discussed by N. L. Harrison and others.

REPORT ON FINANCE

Your Committee on Finance submits the following:
Received for Minutes $30.10.
We recommend that the clerk be paid $10.00 for his service and the remainder be used in paying for printing and mailing of Minutes.

Mead Jestes
J. G. Storie

Report adopted.

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The report on "Digest of Letters" was read by N. L. Harrison and approved, discussed by N. L. Harrison. Report adopted.

DIGEST OF LETTERS

Church Membership in Stony Fork 1545

Property Value	$30,800.00
Paid Pastors	1,138.46
Paid for building and repairs	7,606.33
Paid to Orphanage	359.44

Paid to Hospital	43.59
Paid to Mission	66.66
Baptized this year	141
We have enrolled in S. S.	1139
Average Attendance	707
Paid for Literature for S. S.	255.27
All other objects	808.22
Paid for Minute Fund	30.10

J. A. Hollifield
N. L. Harrison
Committee

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The Moderator called for a song and "Jesus Lover Of My Soul" was sung, led by G. M. Watson.

The report on "Temperance" was read by R. L. Barnes and accepted, then discussed at length by R. L. Barnes. Report adopted.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE

Strong Drink is one of the Greatest Evils of our Day, and we earnestly insist that all the churches of the Stony Fork Association with all other Christian people do all in their power to abolish this evil from among our people.

Respectfully submitted,
R. L. Barnes
Donald Miller
J. T. Hendrix

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Report on "Resolutions" was read by R. L. Barnes, and adopted.

1. Be it resolved that we as the Stony Fork Association express our hearty appreciation for the hospitality and wonderful fellowship during this session of the Stony Fork Association.

2. Be it resolved that we recommend to our churches:

(1) That we take a once a month offering for the Orphanage.

(2)That we make a special effort on Mothers Day. For our Baptist Hospital.

(3) That we contribute regularly to the Co-operative Program.

(4) That we revise our Church Books.

(5) That we recommend Community Prayer Meetings, and Visitation among our churches. Furthermore that we try to reach every man, boy, girl, or woman in the Community for our Sunday School and Christ.

(6) That we recommend to our churches the importance of an

Associational Missionary. And that we take an offering for him every 5th Sunday to defray his expenses.

(7) We recommend that we have a Pastors and Deacons Conference meeting on each Monday after the second Sunday in each month.

Respectfully submitted,
W. J. Cook
R. L. Barnes

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The "Associational Missionary" W. M. Brown, reported a very successful year's work.

The report on "Time, Place and Preacher" was read by W. M. Brown. Report adopted .

For the next session of the Stony Fork Association we recommend by request it to convene with Baily Camp Church, which is four miles from Blowing Rock, on Lenoir road and 3-4 of 1 mile North of road.

We further recommend that Marshal Watson preach annual sermon. Theo Hendrix Alternate.

Respectfully submitted,
Com. Wm. Brown
I. H. Henderson

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The association now goes into the election of officers for the year 1940, and the Moderator appointed E. F. Landers and Earl Tolbert as tellers, and the vote was as follows:

For Moderator ---------- Carl Triplett
Vice Moderator ---------- G. M. Watson
For Clerk & Treasurer ---------- F. L. Hampton
Assistant Clerk ---------- J. G. Storie

In order to more clearly explain the work and progress of each church in this association, it was suggested that we buy a chart and use for this purpose, and the association favored it.

An offering was made and received $3.05. With this last transaction, the Seventy-Eighth Session of the Stony Fork Baptist Association comes to a close, with hearts united in singing "God Be With You Till We Meet Again." Closing prayer by Carl Triplett.

TABLE ONE — CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

CHURCHES	Vill., Town, City, C	When Constituted	PASTORS AND POST OFFICES	Days of Meeting	CHURCH MEMBERSHIP										Weekly Prayer Meet's	Revivals Held	Obs. Lord's Supper	Rec. State Bap. Paper
					Members Reported Last Year	Gains: Baptisms	Gains: Letters	Gains: Statements	Gains: Restorations	Losses: Letters	Losses: Exclusions	Losses: Erasures	Losses: Deaths	Total Present Members				
1. Boone's Fork	C	1871	J. H. Crisp, Collettsville	4	79	10	1	...	1	8	...	...	1	82	...	1	2	...
2. Bailey Camp	C	1938	R. H. Shore, Blowing Rock.	2	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	18	...	1	...	...
3. Doe Ridge	C	1894	Ramond Hendrix, Boone	1	31	2	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	31	...	2	1	...
4. Grandmother Gap	C	1932	L. B. Bean, Mortimer	4	23	2	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	24	...	...	2	...
5. Hopkins Chapel	C	1917	W. H. Byerly, Lenoir	1 3	23	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	28	...	2	...	...
6. Laurel Fork	C	1855	W. J. Cook, Boone	1	141	20	3	...	2	10	...	2	1	153	...	1	1	5
7. Middle Cane																		
8. Mt. View	C	1910	B. L. Minton, Congo	4	33	...	...	...	...	5	...	...	...	28	*	1	...	...
9. Mt. Ephraim	C	1876	Vilas Minton, Boone	1	179	43	...	...	1	1	...	...	1	221	...	1	1	...
10. Mt. Paron	C	1886	Ben Triplett, Deep Gap	1	43	1	2	...	...	...	...	...	2	44	*	1	1	...
11. Mt. Vernon	C	1866	R. C. Eggers, Zionsville	4	239	30	9	...	2	31	...	...	2	247	*	1	2	2
12. New Hopewell	C	1870	W. B. Bryant, Patterson	2	72	14	...	...	5	...	1	...	2	88	*	2	...	...
13. Rock View	C	1923	G. M. Watson, Boone	4	70	4	1	...	...	1	1	...	...	73	...	1	1	...
14. Rock Springs	C	1891	Ramond Hendrix, Boone	4	40	6	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	48	*	1	1	...
15. Sandy Flat	C	1928	R. H. Shore, Blowing Rock.	3	77	4	4	1	...	5	...	...	2	79	*	1	2	...
16. Watauga	C	1844	Will J. Cook, Boone	2	224	...	...	...	...	6	...	...	2	216	...	...	2	...
17. Yellow Hill	C	1850	Henry Smith, Deep Gap	3	171	...	...	...	...	5	...	...	1	165	*	1	1	...

TABLE TWO — SUNDAY SCHOOLS

CHURCHES	SUPERINTENDENTS AND POST OFFICES	Cradle Roll Under 3	Beginners 3-5 Years	Primaries 6-8 Years	Juniors 9-12 Years	Intermediates 13-16	Young People 17-24	Adults 25 and Up	Departmental Officers	Total Enrollment	Average Attendance	Baptisms from S. S.	Is School Graded?	Teachers Holding Diplomas	Enrollment D. V. B. S.	Av. Att. D. V. B. S.
1. Boone's Fork	Lloyd Coffey, Blowing Rock	10	5	9	...	12	3	35	...	74	40	...	...	...	...	...
2. Bailey Camp	Lank Talbert, Blowing Rock	7	24	...	28	24	...	29	5	117	68	...	...	...	...	...
3. Doe Ridge	Donald Miller, Boone	...	23	...	10	3	...	13	5	54	33	...	...	...	43	30
4. Grandmother Gap	Roosevelt Gragg, Linville	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
5. Hopkins Chapel	Roosevelt Gragg, Linville	...	12	...	...	10	...	10	...	31	...	...	...	...	...	...
6. Laurel Fork	S. C. Ford. Blowing Rock	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
7. Middle Cane	....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
8. Mt. View	Jud Golds, Deep Gap	6	...	...	7	...	...	14	...	28	...	...	...	...	...	...
9. Mt. Ephraim	Virgil Greer, Triplett	...	15	8	10	8	16	12	...	69	65	...	...	...	...	...
10. Mt. Paron	Jasper Greene, Deep Gap	...	...	...	...	...	...	23	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
11. Mt. Vernon	John F. Cook, Boone	...	24	38	39	22	24	63	...	210	146	...	*	4	52	29
12. New Hopewell	Spencer Coffey, Gragg	...	8	...	...	5	4	10	6	33	33	...	...	...	...	...
13. Rock View	Lonnie Carlton, Triplett	...	...	...	6	...	...	40	...	46	40	...	...	...	...	...
14. Rock Springs	J. F. Woods, Darby	8	12	...	9	12	15	16	4	76	61	...	...	...	...	...
15. Sandy Flat	Seldon Wright, Blowing Rock	...	16	10	20	10	12	25	...	93	45	4	*	...	35	30
16. Watauga	Haden Fox, Banner Elk	23	19	13	34	15	40	29	10	183	110	...	*	3	32	14
17. Yellow Hill	Zeb V. Beshears, Summit	...	14	15	28	22	16	30	...	125	61	...	...	...	75	65

TABLE THREE—CHURCH PROPERTY

CHURCHES	CHURCH CLERKS AND POST OFFICES	Own House Worship?	When Was It Built?	Materials Used	Persons Seated	Number of Rooms	Dept. Assembly Rooms	No. Sep. Class Rooms	Value Church House and Grounds	Total Value All Church Property	Indebtedness
1. Boone's Fork	J. A. Hollifield, Shulls Mills	Yes	1916	Wood	200	1	...	...	1000.00	1000.00	.....
2. Bailey Camp	Lawrence Harmon, Blowing Rock	Yes	1838	Wood	175	1	...	...	800.00	800.00	.....
3. Doe Ridge	Alice Brown, Boone	Yes	1894	Wood	100	1	...	...	200.00	200.00	.....
4. Grandmother Gap	Roosevelt Gragg, Linville	Yes	1920	Wood	100	1	...	...	400.00	400.00	.....
5. Hopkins Chapel	Mrs. Sherman Coffey, Edgemont	Yes	1917	Wood	100	1	...	...	450.00	450.00	.....
6. Laurel Fork	J. G. Storie, Blowing Rock	Yes	1922	Wood	300	1	...	...	1500.00	1500.00	.....
7. Middle Cane	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....
8. Mt. View	Vonnie Greene, Stony Fork	Yes	1910	Wood	300	1	...	...	1000.00	1000.00	.....
9. Mt. Ephraim	Anna Cox, Triplett	Yes	1936	Wood	300	1	...	...	1400.00	1400.00	.....
10. Mt. Paron	Rausseau Watson, Deep Gap	Yes	1880	Wood	300	1	...	...	300.00	300.00	.....
11. Mt. Vernon	Minnie Day, Blowing Rock	Yes	1938	Stone	500	4	2	2	20000.00	20000.00	272.00
12. New Hopewell	Benson Coffey, Gragg	Yes	1912	Wood	125	1	...	...	450.00	450.00	20.00
13. Rock View	W. E. Miller, Deep Gap	Yes	1923	Wood	150	1	...	...	1000.00	1000.00	.....
14. Rock Springs	J. T. Woods, Darby	Yes	1891	Wood	300	1	...	...	300.00	300.00	.....
15. Sandy Flat	S. T. Icenhour, Blowing Rock	No	1906	Wood	200	2	...	3	.....	.....	.....
16. Watauga	Bergin Gragg, Banner Elk	Yes	1921	Wood	400	1	...	...	2000.00	2000.00	.....
17. Yellow Hill	W. C. Church, Summitt	Yes	1939	Wood	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....

TABLE FOUR—GIFTS FOR LOCAL CHURCH WORK

CHURCHES	REGULAR TREASURERS AND POST OFFICES	Pastor's Salary	Special to Orphanage	Ministerial Help and Supply	Building and Repairs	Special to Hospitals	Incidentals	Literature for Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. and W. M. S.	Help Given For Local Poor	For Printing the Minutes and Clerk	Other Objects	Special to Missions	Pledged to Asso. Missions
1. Boone's Fork	J. A. Hollifield, Shulls Mills	56.42	13.50	16.08	20.00	3.68	2.00	12.00	.....	2.00	3.35	.....	....
2. Bailey Camp	Ira Ford, Blowing Rock	33.48	.....	8.61	362.68	....	7.73	8.28	.....	2.00	.....	.....	....
3. Doe Ridge	Kenneth Brown, Boone	37.79	.....	.....	58.00	.....	.....	2.99	.....	2.00	.25	.....	....
4. Grandmother Gap	Roosevelt Gragg, Linville	21.77	.....	5.43	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.24	.20	.....	....
5. Hopkins Chapel	Mrs. Sherman Coffey, Edgemont	22.67	.....	12.14	.....	.....	.....	12.19	.....	.36	.....	.....	....
6. Laurel Fork	Carnie Storie, Blowing Rock	74.90	51.57	11.00	.....	5.18	30.66	34.79	8.26	2.35	.....	2.83	....
7. Middle Cane	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....
8. Mt. View	Fred Payne, Stony Fork	61.50	.....	.....	.....	....	1.00	1.40	.....	2.00	.....	.....	....
9. Mt. Ephraim	C. T. Simmons, Triplett	103.32	2.10	26.78	.....	4.21	.....	14.50	10.00	3.00	.....	.....	....
10. Mt. Paron	Hazel Greene, Deep Gap	86.29	.....	27.19	.....	2.00	8.60	.....	.....	1.25	.....	.....	....
11. Mt. Vernon	F. L. Hampton, Blowing Rock	255.63	232.16	46.86	1967.25	9.51	49.61	64.02	2.60	5.00	14.26	27.30	....
12. New Hopewell	Benson Coffey, Gragg	37.63	.....	12.37	63.00	.....	.....	10.00	.....	1.40	.....	.....	....
13. Rock View	Jeff Hodges, Triplett	50.00	.....	15.00	.....	5.00	.....	1.50	5.00	1.50	3.00	9.50	1.00
14. Rock Springs	J. T. Woods, Darby	30.00	.....	10.00	50.00	4.01	.....	4.80	.....	1.00	.....	.....	....
15. Sandy Flat	Mrs. S. T. Icenhour, Blowing Rock	75.00	29.75	25.00	.....	4.00	34.69	21.00	.....	2.50	.....	.....	....
16. Watauga	Haden Fox, Banner Elk	120.41	17.35	.....	65.40	6.00	14.69	46.72	25.00	2.50	.....	14.50	....
17. Yellow Hill	W. C. Church, Summitt	71.65	.....	7.67	.....	....	16.68	21.08	.....	1.00	.....	12.53	....

OUR DEAD

BOONE'S FORK—
Mr. J. C. Coffey
DOE RIDGE—
Rev. G. W. Brown
LAUREL FORK—
Mrs. Louisa Miller
MT. VIEW—
Deacon W. W. Greene
Mr. Earnest Greene
MT. EPHRAIM—
Mrs. Ida Triplett
Mrs. Ola Wheeler
MT. PARON—
Mr. Sidney Watson
Mrs. Nealie McGuire
MT. VERNON —
Mrs. Ella Lee
Mrs. Ellen Coffey
NEW HOPEWELL—
Mr. Joe N. Dellinger
Mr. Pilot Coffey
SANDY FLAT—
Mrs. Lena Hatten
Mrs. Mary Maltba
WATAUGA—
Mr. George Shook
Mrs. Irene Taylor
YELLOW HILL—
Mrs. Rebecca Hodges

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J. G. Storie, Asst. Clerk ---------- Blowing Rock

Executive Committee

G. M. Watson, Chairman ---------- Boone
J. G. Storie ---------- Blowing Rock
G. W. Gragg ---------- Boone

List of Nominations

Sunday School Director, N. L. Harrison ------ Blowing Rock
Assistant Directors:
Theo. Hendrix ---------- Stony Fork
Hayden Fox ---------- Banner Elk
Association Missionaries:
Roscoe Green ---------- Deep Gap
William Brown ---------- Blowing Rock
Ed Robbins ---------- Blowing Rock
B. T. U. Director, Mrs. Mead Jestes ---------- Banner Elk
Assistant Director, Christine Harrison ---------- Blowing Rock
W. M. U. Director, Miss Bertha Day ---------- Blowing Rock
Assistant Director, Mrs. G. W. Gragg ---------- Boone
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Orphanage Director ---------- N. L. Harrison
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Cor. to Three Fork Association: F. L. Hampton, Blowing Rock
Cor. to Avery County Association: ------- Dewey Coffey, Gragg
Cor. to Caldwell Association ------- S. C. Ford, Blowing Rock
Cor. to Ashe Association ---------- Noah Beshears, Summit

Standing Committees

Sunday Schools ---------- N. L. Harrison
Missions ---------- Ed Robbins
Benevolences ---------- G. M. Watson
Duties of Pastors and Churches ---------- Carl Triplett

Christian Training ---------- Noah Beshears
Woman's Work ---------- Minnie Day
Temperance ---------- Will J. Cook
Resolutions ---------- Miss Bertha Day
Digest of Letters ---------- Wm. Brown
Religious Literature ---------- R. L. Barnes

ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR 1941 SESSION

Tuesday Morning, September 16th

9:00- 9:30—Devotional ---------- B. F. Wilcox
9:30-10:30—Organization and Electing Officers
10:30-11:15—Address of Moderator
11:15-12:00—Annual Sermon ---------- Theo. Hendrix

Noon Recess

1:00- 1:15—Devotional
1:15- 2:15—Missions
2:15- 3:15—Benevolences
3:15- 4:00—Closing Worship

Wednesday Morning, Sept. 17th, 1941

9:00- 9:15—Devotional
9:15-10:00—Digest of Letters
10:00-10:30—Duties of Pastors and Churches
10:30-11:00—Sunday Schools
11:00-12:00—Christian Training

Noon Recess

1:00- 1:15—Devotional
1:15- 1:30—Religious Literature
1:30- 2:00—Woman's Work
2:00— 2:30—Temperance
2:30- 3:00—Resolutions
3:00- 3:30—Miscellaneous
3:30- 4:00—Closing Worship

ORDAINED MINISTERS

Ashley, W. D. ---------- Blowing Rock
Brown, A. M. ---------- Boone
Brown, W. M. ---------- Blowing Rock

Barnes, R. L.	Boone
Beshears, N. C.	Summit
Church, J. W.	Summit
Cook, W. J.	Boone
Greene, Roscoe	Deep Gap
Greer, R. G.	Fleetwood
Gilley, W. M.	Boone
Hendrix, Theo.	Stony Fork
Keller, Sam	Shulls Mills
Mann, J. C.	Banner Elk
Robbins, Ed	Blowing Rock
Triplett, Carl	Blowing Rock
Triplett, Ben	Deep Gap
Watson, G. M.	Boone
Wilcox, B. F.	Blowing Rock
Wilcox, J. H.	Summit

ROLL OF MESSENGERS

BOONE'S FORK—J. A. Hollifield and Mrs. J. C. Coffey.

BAILEY CAMP—Ransom Harmon, Lank Tolbert and Ciceroe Ford.

DOE RIDGE—Kenneth Brown.

GRANDMOTHER GAP—Roosevelt Gragg, Isabela Gragg, and Mrs. Larkin Gragg.

HOPKINS CHAPEL—Rev. W. H. Byerly.

LAUREL FORK—Carl Storie and Stacy Ford.

MT. VIEW—Vonnie Greene.

MT. EPHRAIM—Conley Waters.

MT. PARAN—G. D. Watson, Mrs. Annie Watson and Roscoe Greene.

MT. VERNON—G. W. Gragg and Minnie Day.

NEW HOPEWELL—Joe Coffey.

ROCK VIEW—G. M. Watson.

ROCK SPRINGS—Vaughan Woods, Ollie Woods and Loretta Woods.

SANDY FLAT—I. H. Henderson and Seldon Wright.

WATAUGA—

YELLOW HILL—

Proceedings

First Day

Tuesday, September 10, 1940

Morning Session, 9:30 A.M.

The Stony Fork Baptist Association met in the "Seventy-Ninth Annual Session" with Bailey Camp Baptist Church, Blowing Rock, N. C.

The session was opened by singing "The Wayfaring Pilgrims" led by G. M. Watson. After song worship scripture was read by W. M. Brown, from Matt. 16:5, 18 and gave a short comment on Christian Development and R. H. Shore led in prayer.

The Moderator (Carl Triplett) called the seventy-ninth session of this association to order for the transaction of business.

The Moderator suggested that the following committees be appointed on "Digest of Letters", "Time, Place and Preacher", and "Finance".

On motion by G. W. Gragg the Moderator and Clerk was empowered to make all temporary appointments.

The moderator and clerk appointed the following committees:

"Digest of Letters"—N. L. Harrison, W. M. Brown, Comm.

"Time, Place and Preacher"—G. D. Watson, I. H. Henderson, Comm.

'Finance"—S. C. Ford, J. A. Hollifield, Comm.

The visitors were recognized and welcomed to seats as follows:

R. D. Covington from the "Mills Home", Dwight Edmisten from Three Forks Association, J. C. Pipes, a representative of the "State Mission Board", Wymond Wood representing "Biblical Recorder" and Henry Crisp from Caldwell Association.

A song was called for and G. M. Watson led the congregation in singing "In the Shadow of the Cross" while an invitation was extended for membership of new Churches, with no response.

The clerk called the roll of churches and most of the churches were represented.

R. D. Covington was given time to tell about the progress, management and success of our Baptist Orphanage in Thomasville.

The report on "Religious Literature" was called for and was presented and read by G. M. Watson. Then it was discussed by G. M. Watson and Wymon Wood. Report adopted.

REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE

What is religious literature? Reading material which stresses heavenly ardor in the soul. The Bible is first. Then in connection we have Biblical Recorder, Charity and Children, then Book of Sermons of Great Men of God. A true child of God finds in the pages of each mentioned book and literature, reading that will inspire them to greater service. You can get the best books and literature at the Baptist Book Store at Raleigh, N. C.

Respectfully submitted,

G. M. WATSON, Committee.

The Annual Sermon being next in order, G. M. Watson took charge of the service and first led the congregation in singing "Press Along to Glory Land". He read 1st John 3:13 and Carl Triplett led in prayer.

He announced this subject, "Behold What Manner of Love the Father hath Bestowed upon Us", and delivered an instructive message. Then B. F. Wilcox offered prayer at the close of the message.

There being a few minutes left after the Annual Sermon before lunch hour, the Moderator called for the remainder of the letters to be brought forward and after this transaction the Association adjourned for the noon recess, benediction by J. C. Pipes.

Tuesday Afternoon Session

The afternoon sesion opened at 1:00 P.M. Theo. Hendrix being in charge of the devotional. A song was sung "The Promised Land." He read Luke 16:1,13 and offered a short comment but very helpful, then Roscoe Greene led in prayer.

Carl Triplett read the report on missions, and after it had been discussed by Carl Triplett and J. C. Pipes, a motion for its

adoption was in order and the report was adopted.

REPORT ON MISSIONS

MISSION. The word means one sent out; the work of spreading religious principles. This being true, Jesus has sent us out. He said, "Go ye therefore into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Ghost, teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you." Jesus come to this world on a mission to teach, to preach, to heal. He told His disciples, "As my Father hath sent me, even so send I you." Jesus also said (St. Mark 8:36): "For what shall it profit a man if he gain the whole world and lose his own soul." Jesus said the soul was the greatest possession in the world. Jesus died for the soul. If we would believe what Jesus said we would be trying to rescue dying souls at home and abroad. We think our farms, our cattle, our money, our pleasure, the national things are more important. May God help us to value the soul as Jesus did.

Respectfully submitted,
CARL TRIPLETT
Committee.

The report on Benevolence was read by R. L. Barnes and accepted. Then spoken to by the following speakers: R. I. Barnes, B. F. Wilcox, R. D. Covington, W. B. Bryant, Dwight Edmisten and N. L. Harrison.

A motion was in order for adoption and the report was adopted.

REPORT ON BENEVOLENCE

As our Lord taught when He was here, so He is still teaching. He healed when here; He is still healing through the sincere cooperation of His people. The ministers' relief is a great source of sympathy and demands much consideration and contributions in order to enable them to live after their active work has ceased.

Respectfully submitted,
REV. R. L. BARNES
REV. B. F. WILCOX
Committee.

A committee on "Nominations" was appointed as follows: G. W. Gragg, J. A. Hollifield, G. D. Watson, Comm.

At the close of the afternoon session G. W. Gragg suggested that the messengers from the different churches ask their re-

spective churches to make an offering to raise funds to buy a marker to be placed at the grave of our deceased Brother, G. W. Brown, the funds to be turned over to the clerk of this association to buy said marker.

G. W. Rowe was appointed to conduct Wednesday morning devotional. With this appointment the Association came to a close with song, "How Beautiful Heaven Be." Benediction by G. W. Rowe.

Second Day

Wednesday, September 11th, 1940

9:30 A.M.

The Moderator called the association to order and after song worship, G. W. Rowe conducted the devotional. He read 2nd Peter 1:1, 14 and G. M. Watson led in prayer.

The clerk read the minutes of the previous day, which was approved.

The visitors were recognized and welcomed to seats; W. B. Bryant from Caldwell Association and G. W. Rowe from Three Forks Association.

The report on "Duties of Pastors and Churches" was presented and read by W. M. Brown and accepted. Then W. B. Bryant discussed this combined subject.

First: Duties of Pastors, by emphasizing the following outlines:

a—The pastor must be prepared to feed his flock.

b—See that all the illegable doctrines be kept out of their churches.

c—Visit the homes and try to contact the lost.

d—If the churches are properly fed, guarded and loved by the pastor, then he is financially cared for.

Second: "Duties of Churches to the pastors."

a—Members should regularly fill their pews.

b—The members should visit their pastor's home and by so doing prove to him that they truly love and respect him.

c—Ways that members can co-operate with the pastor.

N. L. Harrison and I. H. Henderson added right much to this wonderful discussion. Report adopted.

DUTIES OF PASTORS AND CHURCHES

Pastors should be God-called men, sound in faith, and apt to teach an example of the believers, in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith and purity. Should give attendance to reading, to exhortation, and to doctrine.

Paul said in 1st Tim., 4th Chap.: "If thou put the brethren in remembrance of these things, thou shalt be a good minister of Jesus Christ."

The church is the body of Christ; it should be kept clean, should have a passion for lost souls, at home and abroad; for the sick and all objects of charity.

The deep emotion of the soul should move each of us to give (as God has prospered us) of our means that the church may grow and prosper. It is the duty of the church to stand firm for the faith once delivered to the saints.

Respectfully submitted,
G. W. GRAGG
WM. BROWN

The report on religious training was read by W. M. Brown and was accepted, then discussed by W. M. Brown. 1st: Baptist doctrine should be taught. 2nd: Develop and cutivate a missionary spirit. 3rd: Make soul winning our goal.

Then Carl Triplett emphasized proper training of the youth and G. M. Watson stressed early Christian training of the youth.

The report was then adopted.

REPORT ON RELIGIOUS TRAINING

The hand that rocks the cradle is beginning a training union at home which will build a nation strong or cause it to totter.

The church without a vision fails to expand this union in behalf of old and young, and many lights go out that would possibly shine brightly even in the dark slums of Africa.

May we as brethren in Christ pray that our churches realize their sad mistake by leaving out Religious Training.

Respectfully submitted,
WILLIAM BROWN.

The report on Sunday Schools was read by N. L. Harrison and was discussed by the following speakers: N. L. Harrison, W. B. Bryant and Henry Crisp. Report adopted.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS

Surely we should make much greater effort this year to en-

courage all our people to attend Sunday school and study more diligently the "Word," as Jesus certainly taught us to do, both by exemple and precept.

We believe that all our Sunday schools have really begun to realize the necessity of studying God's Word on Sunday and also during the week as well, and we should all take advantage of this, the best of all opportunities. On studying the "Word" we find Jesus taught "Devotion" and "Doctrine," as well as "Missions," and education in Bible knowledge.

Respectfully submitted,
N. L. HARRISON.

The association adjourned for noon recess, benediction by W. M. Brown.

Wednesday Afternoon Session

The afternoon session was opened by singing "Where the Soul Never Dies". W. B. Bryant conducted the devotional, prayer by J. W. Rowe.

The report on Woman's Work was read by Minnie Day and after it was discussed by Minnie Day using the following outlines:

First: How woman's work reached the unsaved in heathen lands.

Second: Woman's Work was approved by our Savior.

Third: How women's societies band together and their progress.

Mrs. G. W. Gragg also added much to this discussion. Report adopted.

REPORT ON WOMAN'S WORK

While Jesus was here on earth we find women administering to his physical needs, as in case of Martha, as well as among His band of followers. They were the last at the cross and the first at the empty tomb and to report the risen Christ. It was the women whom Paul found engaged in a payer service by the river side.

Today we find bands of women of other associations uniting their efforts to carry out Christ's great commission: "Go ye therefore and teach all nations" (Mat. 28:19), and "Ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost parts of the earth" (Acts 1:18).

Why not we, the women of Stony Fork Association, band together that we, too, may have a part in this, and through our united prayers, mission studies, our means, and by the direction of the

Great Spirit, we may also carry out this great commission with more efficiency? "For how shall we escape if we neglect so great a salvation?"

Respectfully submitted,
MINNIE DAY, Committee.

The report on B. T. U. was read by Christine Harrison, and was discussed by Christine Harrison, W. B. Bryant and N. L. Harrison. The report was adopted.

REPORT ON B. T. U.

We recommend that every church in Stony Fork Association organize and maintain the B. T. U. work. The B. T. U. trains Baptist believers of all ages in God's service, while the Sunday school teaches the people.

A B. T. U. in every church will help our young people to be more spirit-filled and to make greater leaders for the Lord's service.

Our young people in our churches will soon be our associational officers, our pastors, missionaries, and all our religious leaders.

If they are trained in the Lord's work, surely they will go out into the world with a greater message for the lost, and can win them in a greater way.

Let us go back to our churches with the determination to help the young people. With this determination in mind, let us pray and look forward to a most successful year for our young people.

Respectfully submitted,
CHRISTINE HARRISON.

The report on temperance was read by R. L. Barnes and approved, then discussed by R. L. Barnes, and adopted.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE

Strong drink is not the only type of intemperance. There are many types of intemperance that are very destructive to moral and religious progress and we should do all in our power to abolish these evils from among our people.

Respectfully submitted,
LINNEY BARNES, Committee.

The report on resolutions was read by G. W. Gragg and without discussion was adopted.

REPORT ON RESOLUTIONS

We, your committee on resolutions, wish to present the following:

I. We recommend that the messengers of the various churches note carefully the substance of each report adopted, give a report of same to their churches and help to carry it out.

II. We recommend that all our churches cooperate in every way possible the cooperative program.

III. That we recognize the splendid and efficient manner in which our moderator and clerk served this body.

IV. That we express our thanks to the Bailey Camp church, pastor and community for their bountiful dinners and their hospitality during the meeting of this association.

May God's richest blessings be upon them.

Respectfully submitted,

G. W. GRAGG.

The report on time, place and preacher was read by F. L. Hampton and without discussion was adopted.

REPORT ON TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER

The eightieth session to be held with Sandy Flat church on Tuesdan and Wednesday after the second Sunday in September, 1941. Two miles west of Blowing Rock on Highway 221.

Theo Hendrix to preach annual semon; Bill Brown, alternate.

Respectfully submitted,

J. H. HENDERSON.

G. D. WATSON.

Committee.

The report on digest of letters was presented, read and discussed by N. L. Harrison, then adopted.

DIGEST OF LETTERS

Membership, 1939	1517
Membership, 1940	1544
Property Value	$33,100.00
Paid Pastors	$1,121.87
Paid For Building and Repairs	$2,294.62
Paid to Orphanages	$309.90
Paid to Hospital	$73.40
Paid to Missions	$75.79
Baptized This Year	53
Enrolled In Sunday Schools	1136
Average Attendance	707
Paid for Sunday School Literature	$270.55
All Other Objects	$847.46

Paid for Minute Fund $48.50

Respectfully submitted,
N. L. HARRISON
W. M. BROWN
Committee.

The report of the treasurer was read by the clerk, then discussed by F. L. Hampton and others and was adopted.

REPORT OF TREASURER

Received from churches for printing minutes and clerk hire..	$30.10
Received by collection for chart	3.05
Brought forward	.51
Total	$33.66
Paid for minutes	$32.16
Clerk for services	10.00
Postage	1.28
Paid for chart	4.05
Total paid out	$47.49
Balance due clerk	$13.83

The association being due the clerk thirteen dollars and eighty three cents ($13.83) on the 1939 minutes and on motion by G. W. Gragg to pay the clerk this debt out of the 1940 minute funds, which was approved by the association.

The report on finance was read by J. A. Hollifield and without discussion was adopted.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE

Your committee submits the following report on finance:

Received for minutes, $48.50.

We recommend that the clerk be paid $10.00 for his services and the remainder be used in paying for printing and mailing of minutes.

Respectfully submitted,
J. A. HOLLIFIELD
S. C. FORD
Committee.

A list of our dead was read by G. M. Watson and then the association was led in a dedication prayer by W. B. Bryant.

A LIST OF OUR DEAD

MT. VIEW—Deacon Geo. Algood, Mrs. Rachel Minton.
MT. EPHRAIM—Mr. Emery Triplett.
MT. VERNON—Mrs. Geo. Hayes, Mrs. Bettie Day, Mr. W. H. Brown.
WATAUGA—Mrs. Arminda Porch, Mrs. Sarah Gragg, Mr. Tate Townsend.
YELLOW HILL—Mrs. Maggie Clark.

For lack of time and other handicaps the association put off electing officers until the 1941 session, when the officers will be elected in the forenoon session of the first day.

The next annual session to meet with the Sandy Flat Baptist Church, Tuesday and Wednesday after the second Sunday in September, 1941.

The seventy-ninth session of Stony Fork Baptist Association came to a close after singing "Amazing Grace" and closing prayer by the moderator.

CARL TRIPLETT, Moderator
F. L. HAMPTON, Clerk & Treas.

TABLE ONE — CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

CHURCHES	City Vill., Town, Country	When Constituted	PASTORS AND POST OFFICES	Days of Meeting	CHURCH MEMBERSHIP Gains: Members Reported Last Year	Gains: Baptisms	Gains: Letters	Gains: Restorations	Losses: Letters	Losses: Exclusions	Losses: Erasures	Losses: Deaths	Total: Total Present Members	Weekly Prayer Meet's	Revivals Held	Obs. Lord's Supper	Rec. Baptist Paper
1. Boone's Fork	C	1871	Frank Knight, Patterson	4	82	...	1	...	2	...	1	...	80	...	1	2	...
2. Bailey Camp	C	1938	R. H. Shore, Blowing Rock	2	18	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	24	...	...	1	...
3. Doe Ridge	C	1894	Ramond Kendrix, Boone	1	31	2	2	...	...	...	...	...	35	*	1	1	...
4. Grandmother Gap	C	1932	L. B. Bean, Mortimer	4	24	3	...	...	3	...	...	...	24	*	1	1	...
5. Hopkins Chapel	C	1917	W. H. Byerly, Lenoir	1	28	4	...	...	1	...	...	...	31	...	2	1	...
6. Laurel Fork	C	1855	Vilas Minton, Vilas	1	133	...	1	...	3	...	...	...	131	...	1	1	1
7. Middle Cane	C	1884	Not Represented	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
8. Mt. View	C	1910	Ramond Hendrix, Boone	4	33	5	...	...	...	...	...	2	36	...	1	1	...
9. Mt. Ephraim	C	1876	Vilas Minton, Vilas	2	221	...	...	...	3	...	...	1	217	...	1	1	...
10. Mt. Paran	C	1886	Theo. Hendrix, Stoney Fork	1	45	...	...	...	2	2	...	1	40	*	1	1	...
11. Mt. Vernon	C	1866	R. C. Eggers, Zionsville	4	239	3	1	...	1	...	...	3	239	...	1	2	2
12. New Hopewell	C	1870	W. Bryant, Patterson	2 4	88	5	...	3	1	...	4	...	91	*	1	1	...
13. Rock View	C	1923	G. M. Watson, Boone	4	72	8	...	2	...	...	...	...	82	*	1	1	...
14. Rock Springs	C	1891	Ramond Hendrix, Boone	2	40	8	1	1	2	...	...	...	48	...	1	1	...
15. Sandy Flat	C	1928	R. H. Shore, Blowing Rock	3	79	2	...	...	2	...	...	...	79	*	1	2	...
16. Watauga	C	1844	Levi Greene, Deep Gap	1	216	6	...	...	...	...	...	3	219	...	1	2	1
17. Yellow Hill	C	1850	H. H. Smith, Deep Gap	3	168	7	1	...	7	...	...	1	168	*	1	1	...

TABLE TWO — SUNDAY SCHOOLS

CHURCHES	SUPERINTENDENTS AND POST OFFICES	Cradle Roll Under 3	Beginners 3-5 Years	Primaries 6-8 Years	Juniors 9-12 Years	Intermediates 13-16	Young People 17-24	Adults 25 and Up	Departmental Officers	Total Enrollment	Average Attendance	Baptisms from S. S.	Is School Graded?	Is It Standard A-1?	Enrollment V. B. S.	Av. Att. V. B. S.
1. Boone's Fork	Lloyd Coffey, Blowing Rock	3	5	5	...	14	...	30	6	63	30	...	...	...	...	...
2. Bailey Camp	Lank Tolbert, Blowing Rock	6	11	21	28	...	14	26	...	106	70	...	...	...	...	...
3. Doe Ridge	Donald Miller, Boone	...	15	...	10	4	12	...	4	45	33	...	...	...	...	...
4. Grandmother Gap	Roosevelt Gragg, Linville	...	4	4	4	3	2	9	4	30	30	...	...	...	...	...
5. Hopkins Chapel	Roosevelt Gragg, Linville	...	10	...	...	8	...	9	...	27	27	...	...	...	...	...
6. Laurel Fork	S. C. Ford, Blowing Rock	5	5	5	8	5	10	30	8	76	44	...	*	*	...	...
7. Middle Cane	Not Represented	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
8. Mt. View	Charlie Smith, Stoney Fork	6	...	12	...	5	...	12	...	34	30	...	*	...	...	...
9. Mt. Ephraim	V. C. Cox, Triplett	...	15	8	15	8	20	12	...	78	68	...	...	...	...	...
10. Mt. Paran	Jasper Greene, Deep Gap	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	35	30	...	...	...	...	...
11. Mt. Vernon	John Cook, Boone	...	24	34	40	20	17	70	...	205	123	3	*	...	33	25
12. New Hopewell	Spencer, Coffey, Gragg	...	15	...	...	...	15	20	6	56	55	...	...	...	...	...
13. Rock View	Lonnie Carlton, Triplett	...	...	10	5	5	25	...	...	45	40	...	...	...	...	...
14. Rock Springs	J. T. Wods, Darby	...	...	10	6	...	...	9	...	25	25	6	...	...	...	...
15. Sandy Flat	Seldon Wright, Blowing Rock	...	17	11	13	12	16	24	...	93	50	...	*	...	60	50
16. Watauga	Hayden Fox, Banner Elk	16	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	...	...	*	...	...	...
17. Yellow Hill	Zeb V. Beshears, Summit	8	7	12	14	22	14	41	...	118	52	...	...	...	...	...

TABLE THREE — CHURCH PROPERTY

CHURCHES	CHURCH CLERKS AND POST OFFICES	Own House Worship?	When Was It Built?	Materials Used	Persons Seated	Number of Rooms	Dept. Ass'bly. Rooms	No. Sep. Class Rooms	Value Church House and Grounds	Total Value of All Church Property	Indebtedness on All Church Property
1. Boone's Fork	J. A. Hollifield, Shulls Mills	*	1916	Wood	200	1	...	...	1000	1000	...
2. Bailey Camp	Lawrence Harmon, Blowing Rock	*	1938	Wood	175	1	...	...	800	800	...
3. Doe Ridge	Alice A. Brown, Boone	*	1894	Wood	100	1	...	...	200	200	...
4. Grandmother Gap	Roosevelt Gragg, Linville	*	1920	Wood	100	1	...	...	400	400	...
5. Hopkins Chapel	Mrs. Sherman Coffey, Edgemont	*	1917	Wood	100	1	...	...	450	450	...
6. Laurel Fork	J. G. Storie, Blowing Rock	*	1922	Wood	300	1	...	...	1500	1500	...
7. Middle Cane	Not Represented	...	1911	.....	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	...
8. Mt. View	Vonnie Greene, Stoney Fork	*	1910	Wood	300	1	...	...	1000	1000	...
9. Mt. Ephraim	V. C. Cox, Triplett	*	1936	Wood	300	1	...	...	1400	1400	...
10. Mt. Paran	Rausseau Watson, Deep Gap	*	1940	Wood	300	1	...	...	600	600	200
11. Mt. Vernon	Minnie Day, Blowing Rock	*	1938	Stone	500	4	2	2	20000	20000	...
12. New Hopewell	Benson Coffey, Gragg	*	1912	Wood	200	1	...	...	450	450	...
13. Rock View	W. E. Miller, Deep Gap	*	1923	Wood	200	1	...	...	1000	1000	...
14. Rock Springs	J. T. Woods, Darby	*	1891	Wood	300	1	...	...	300	300	...
15. Sandy Flat	S. T. Icenhour, Blowing Rock	...	1906	Wood	200	3	...	...	.....	.....	...
16. Watauga	Mead F. Jestes, Banner Elk	*	1921	Wood	400	6	...	6	2000	2000	...
17. Yellow Hill	W. C. Church, Summit	*	1940	Wood	400	3	...	3	2000	2000	...

TABLE FOUR — *GIFTS FOR LOCAL CHURCH WORK*

CHURCHES	REGULAR TREASURERS AND POST OFFICES	Pastor's Salary	Ministerial Help and Supply	Building and Repairs	Debt and Interest	Incidentals	Literature for Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. and W. M. S.	Help Given to Local Poor	For Printing the Minutes and Clerk of Association	Other Objects	Total for Local Purposes Given by the Church and its Orgs.	Value Food, Clothing Given to Orphanage
1. Boone's Fork	J. A. Hollifield, Shulls Mills	42.14	8.91	.....	.....	10.16	10.90	.....	3.00	.....	73.11	18.82
2. Bailey Camp	Ira Ford, Blowing Rock	45.58	.....	8.41	.....	10.00	16.70	.....	2.63	6.42	89.74	.....
3. Doe Ridge	Kenneth Brown, Boone	6.56	4.75	.....	.....	.....	4.03	.....	1.50	.....	16.84	.....
4. Grandmother Gap	Roosevelt Gragg, Linville	28.10	2.57	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.30	3.38	34.35	.....
5. Hopkins Chapel	Mrs. Sherman Coffey, Edgemont	35.78	11.97	.....	.....	.....	7.07	.....	.65	.50	55.97	.....
6. Laurel Fork	Carnie Storie, Blowing Rock	65.49	.....	.....	.....	8.09	37.89	3.12	3.00	6.20	123.79	47.35
7. Middle Cane	Not Represented	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
8. Mt. View	Fred Payne, Stoney Fork	43.97	.....	.....	.....	2.00	1.50	.....	2.00	.....	49.47	.....
9. Mt. Ephraim	C. T. Simmons, Triplett	92.30	25.00	.....	.....	.....	15.50	25.00	5.00	.....	160.80	.....
10. Mt. Paran	G. D. Watson, Deep Gap	51.81	.....	600.00	.....	.....	.....	24.75	1.25	.....	677.81	30.00
11. Mt. Vernon	F. L. Hampton, Blowing Rock	342.27	53.50	186.21	306.00	98.60	82.54	60.51	17.42	42.65	1189.70	187.55
12. New Hopewell	Benson Coffey, Gragg	39.24	25.12	.....	20.00	.....	14.15	.....	.50	.....	99.01	.....
13. Rock View	W. E. Miller, Deep Gap	55.75	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2.75	3.00	61.50	.....
14. Rock Springs	J. T. Woods, Darby	42.41	.....	.....	.....	.....	3.50	.....	1.00	.....	46.91	.....
15. Sandy Flat	Mrs. S. T. Icenhour, Blowing Rock	79.00	24.00	.....	.....	31.86	21.00	.....	2.50	.....	158.36	10.00
16. Watauga	Hayden Fox, Banner Elk	105.27	18.00	.....	.....	49.97	37.50	30.00	4.00	.....	239.74	16.78
17. Yellow Hill	W. C. Church, Summit	46.19	30.53	1700.00	.....	14.00	18.27	5.00	1.00	.....	1814.99	.....

TABLE FIVE — *MISSIONS, EDUCATION, AND ALL BENEVOLENCES*

CHURCHES	REGULAR TREASURERS AND POST OFFICES	Total to Cooperative Program	Special to Associational Missions	Special to State Missions	Special to Home Missions	Special to Foreign Missions	Special to Orphanage	Special to Hospitals	Special to Old Ministers' Relief	Other Objects	Total Given Missions and Benevolences	Grand Total for All Purposes Given by Church
1. Boone's Fork	J. A. Hollifield, Shulls Mills	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	18.22	3.25	.....	.....	21.47	94.58
2. Bailey Camp	Ira Ford, Blowing Rock	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6.00	.....	.....	6.00	95.74
3. Doe Ridge	Kenneth Brown, Boone	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.40	.....	.25	.65	17.49
4. Grandmother Gap	Roosevelt Gragg, Linville	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6.00	.....	6.00	40.35
5. Hopkins Chapel	Mrs. Spencer Coffey, Edgemont	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1.00	.....	.....	1.00	56.97
6. Laurel Fork	Carnie Storie, Blowing Rock	.....	.....	1.85	.....	.....	47.35	.....	.....	3.20	52.40	176.19
7. Middle Cane	Not Represented	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
8. Mt. View	Fred Payne, Stony Fork	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	49.47
9. Mt. Ephraim	C. T. Simmons, Triplett	.....	.....	2.94	.....	.....	.....	7.06	.....	10.00	.....	182.80
10. Mt. Paran	G. D. Watson, Deep Gap	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	30.00	4.18	.....	.....	34.18	711.99
11. Mt. Vernon	F. L. Hampton, Blowing Rock	25.06	19.02	.....	.....	4.25	187.55	27.08	.....	20.70	283.66	1473.36
12. New Hopewell	Benson Coffey, Gragg	.....	.....	.....	1.16	.....	.....	3.61	.....	.....	4.77	103.78
13. Rock View	W. E. Miller, Deep Gap	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	61.50
14. Rock Springs	J. T. Woods, Darby	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8.25	.....	.....	8.25	55.16
15. Sandy Flat	Mrs. S. T. Icenhour, Blowing Rock	.....	.....	.....	.....	5.00	10.00	5.00	.....	.....	20.00	178.36
16. Watauga	Hayden Fox, Banner Elk	.....	.....	6.58	.....	.....	16.78	.....	.....	.....	23.36	263.10
17. Yellow Hill	W C. Church, Summit	.....	.....	.....	35.00	.....	.....	7.57	.....	.....	42.57	1857.56